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Inn wants OK for outdoor weddings

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Neighbors object to noise, disturbance

By Erin Dale
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Should wedding ceremonies be considered "entertainment"?

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) entertained that question Monday night, as the Red Lion Inn

is seeking a special permit to be able to hold outdoor ceremonies, and is also appealing a cease and desist on such ceremonies issued by town Building Inspector Bob Egan in November.

Charles Humphreys, attorney for the South Main Street inn and restaurant, argued that the inn has been allowed to hold wedding receptions

and similar functions at the Red Lion since 2000, when the ZBA issued a special permit. Now, the inn would like to add actual weddings into the mix.

Most wedding receptions held at the inn take place after the wedding itself was held elsewhere — at a nearby church or somewhere else in town, said Humphreys. Last

year, of 120 wedding receptions held at the inn, 20 included requests for outdoor wedding ceremonies. "That doesn't mean they got one; mother nature had to respond," said Humphreys, estimating that there were "roughly four to five per month" from April to October.

Most of these ceremonies can be considered

religious, the attorney added, stating that 75 percent of these were performed by members of the clergy, while 25 percent were officiated by a justice of the peace.

Appealing the Building Inspector's decision, Humphreys argued that the special permit issued in 2000 had "no constitution of outside weddings" one

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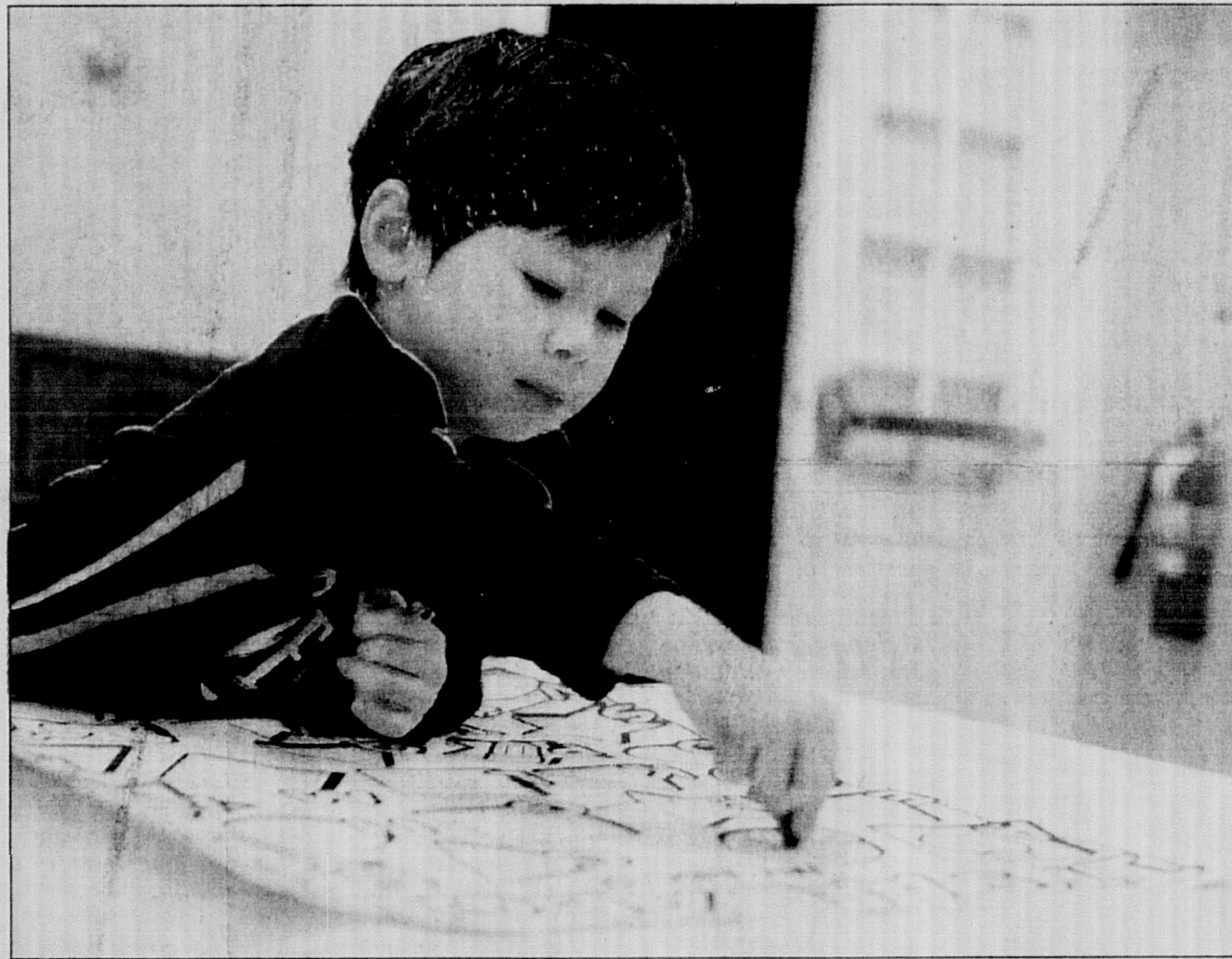
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COMMUNITY CENTER



Ben Ramsey, 4, colors in letters of the alphabet at the South Shore Community Center last week. WICKED LOCAL
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WORK OF ART

"Gymnastics, Sports and More" for boys and girls ages 4 to 10 was held at the South Shore Community Center, 3 N. Main St., last week. The youngsters, like Ben Ramsey, picture here, had a fun-filled day of gymnastics, sports, bowling and crafts. For more photos, see page A4.

OPEB ADDING UP

Moving retirees to other health plan

By Erin Dale
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Town officials intend to move retired Cohasset teachers to a different health insurance plan in order to save money and help pay down the town's \$40 million unfunded liability for Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB).

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously (5-0) Tuesday to notify the company that insures the town's retired teachers, the Group Insurance Commission (GIC), of the town's intention to move affected retired

If towns do nothing to combat OPEB, they will be "forced to reduce employees, cut services, or make other painful adjustments to the budget."

—Timothy Davis, OPEB committee

teachers to Massachusetts Inter Local Insurance (MILA), the town-sponsored health insurance.

Tuesday night's roll call vote means the board is "essentially notifying the GIC that we're thinking of moving all the retired teachers from GIC to MILA, and starting to go down that

road," said selectman Kevin McCarthy.

The board also voted to notify all active and affected Cohasset public school teachers, and to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, Feb. 24 to discuss the potential changes.

Also, selectmen chair Diane Kennedy said in her

motion, "an advisory vote of the affected retired teachers shall be taken prior to any vote of the board."

These votes came after a presentation from OPEB committee chair Timothy Davis on how OPEB, the promised medical benefits for retired municipal employees, is gnawing at the town's budget over time. (See commentary, page A10).

Cohasset's current liability is \$40 million and counting, said Davis, and is projected to grow by approximately \$2 million per year. If the liability

keeps piling up, the town will owe \$181 million in 2043.

A committee was started over a year ago to brainstorm ways Cohasset can tackle this liability. Davis works alongside OPEB members Carl Forsythe and Jason Soules; John Chapman served on the board until recently, moving to the town's Advisory Committee. Davis said the committee also has assistance from the town finance department.

"There are many people looking to find a solution

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Legal Briefs

by Kevin Phillips
Attorney at Law

AN UNDENIABLE FACT

While we may try to avoid the unpleasant truth that death spares no one, it is best to be prepared for the inevitable. Yet, according to one recent survey, two-thirds of Americans have no will. While some circumstances may lend themselves to wills written by computer programs, an attorney can point out details and pose scenarios that the average person might not consider. Taking these factors into account helps to clarify a person's intentions, thereby ensuring the desired outcome. With this in mind, the more complex a person's circumstances, the more he or she stands to benefit from having a lawyer draw up his or her will. Blended families, ex-spouses, and other special conditions warrant professional advice.

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The Cohasset Mariner caught up with Colleen Boselli, Principal with Strength Catalyst Partners, who will be running a six-week woman's workshop in Cohasset called "Max Talent for Women" starting in January. Boselli, a new resident of Cohasset and mother of four, has been conducting these popular programs for in the U.S. and Europe for many years — with corporate audiences as well as local women's groups. If you see Colleen around town, be sure to mention that you saw her in Picture This!

PHOTO / ERIN DALE

Colleen Boselli

Name: Colleen Boselli.

Occupation: Executive Coach.

Best day of your life: The day my first child was born (but the other three children's birthdates were also exciting, too).

Best vacation: African safari.

Favorite season: Summer is THE BEST but fall is not far behind.

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving.

Favorite food: Huge bowl

of fruit with granola and yogurt.

Best book: "The Alchemist."

Best movie or actor: "White Christmas."

Best TV show: "Modern Family."

Best music, group or artist: Earth, Wind and Fire (I am dating myself!).

Pet peeve: When people exaggerate and act like it's the truth.

Fun fact: I read self-help books when I was in junior high.

Person you would most like to meet: Martin Luther King.

Goal: Help anyone who is interested to find more confidence in themselves.

Biggest worry: I am an optimist and tend to think that most things happen for a reason or can be solved.

Best part of Cohasset: The spectacular view coming to the crest of Forest Avenue, heading toward Jerusalem. I still can't believe that I actually live here!

COHASSET ELDER AFFAIRS

Hypnosis and your weight Tuesday

The following programs will take place at 3 North Main St. Call Cohasset Elder Affairs at 781-383-9112 if interested in attending events and activities or for more information.

Cohasset seniors: Call Cohasset Elder Affairs at 781-383-9112 to schedule a free safety evaluation of one's home conducted by representatives of Elder Affairs, the Cohasset Fire Department and the Board of Health. Minor improvements (installation of smoke or CO2 detectors, batteries, bathmats, etc.) will be provided free of charge.

■ **Monday, Jan. 12,** Brown Bag Lunch and Movie, "Salmon Fishing in the Yemen." A sheik with a love for the sport hopes to introduce fly-fishing to the Middle East and turns to an uptight fisheries expert for help. Buoyed by the sheik's enthusiasm the expert sets out to achieve the impossible. Bring your brown bag lunch. CEA will provide soft drinks and popcorn.

■ **Wednesday, Jan. 14,**

21 and 28, 1 p.m., Weight Loss by Hypnosis class. Three-class session. Start the New Year off right with help from hypnotist Joanne Campbell. Sign up with a friend. Studies show that working on weight loss with a companion adds to success. Cost is \$24 for the whole session. Call to join.

■ **Thursday, Jan. 15,** noon, intergenerational activity. Deer Hill fourth grade students will entertain seniors and join them for lunch.

■ **Monday, Jan. 15, 8:30 a.m.,** Boston Symphony. Ride to Boston to hear the BSO during an open rehearsal. Tickets are \$18 to \$30 purchased at the box office. Cost is \$5 for transportation. First come first served. Limited van availability remaining.

■ **Monday, Jan. 19,** Martin Luther King Day. CEA offices closed.

■ **Friday, Jan. 23,** by appointment. Dental hygienist Emma Lawson will be at the center to provide dental screening and cleaning for a low cost of \$70, or Mass Health

accepted. Appointments scheduled between 9 a.m. and noon. Call CEA to reserve a spot.

■ **Friday, Jan. 26, 1 to 3 p.m.** Paint Party. Bring out one's inner artist while painting a winter harbor scene. No experience necessary for this casual paint gathering. Registration required. Cost is \$5.

■ **Wednesday, Jan. 28, 11 a.m.** Fear of Losing Independence, presented by Hahn Home Healthcare. Jennifer Nosalek will talk about how to balance what everyone wants with what they may need. Those who are interested are welcome to stay for lunch after the program.

TRANSPORTATION Cohasset Elder Affairs offer door-to-door van service to the following:

■ **Around Town Route 3A:** Mondays, 1 to 3 p.m. Stops, as requested, at Buttonwood Books, Supercuts, Bank of America, Rockland Trust, Walgreen's, CVS, Hingham Lumber, Old Colony shops, Aubuchon, etc.

■ **Shaw's:** Tuesdays, at 1 p.m.

■ **Cohasset Train Station:** Wednesdays, drop off for 9:04 a.m. train; pickup for 3:08 p.m. return.

■ **Wal-Mart/Hanover Mall:** Wednesdays, at 9:30 a.m., return at 11:30 a.m.

■ **Around Town (downtown Cohasset):** Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

■ **Stop & Shop:** Fridays, 9:30 a.m.

■ **Trader Joes/Marshall's:** Second Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

■ **Derby Street Shoppes:** Third Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m., return 11:30 a.m.

■ **Christmas Tree Shop:** Fourth Friday of the month: 9:30 a.m.

Call 781-383-9112 at least 24 hours in advance for transportation. For out-of-town trips, a voluntary donation of \$5 is requested.

Cohasset Elder Affairs Lunch Program: Lunches provided by celebrity chefs and local restaurants, at noon, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 24 hours ahead for reservations and/or transportation.

South Shore Tide Chart

COHASSET HARBOR (WHITE HEAD)

JAN. 2015		HIGH				LOW				SUNRISE	SUNSET
		AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.	AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.		
Thursday	08	1:02	8.6	1:10	9.2	6:53	0.6	7:21	-0.0	7:11	4:28
Friday	09	1:41	8.5	1:51	9.0	7:35	0.7	8:02	0.2	7:11	4:29
Saturday	10	2:22	8.4	2:34	8.6	8:19	0.9	8:43	0.5	7:11	4:30
Sunday	11	3:04	8.3	3:19	8.3	9:05	1.1	9:27	0.7	7:11	4:31
Monday	12	3:49	8.3	4:08	8.0	9:53	1.2	10:14	1.0	7:10	4:32
Tuesday	13	4:37	8.3	5:00	7.8	10:45	1.3	11:03	1.1	7:10	4:33
Wednesday	14	5:27	8.3	5:55	7.7	11:40	1.2	11:56	1.2	7:09	4:34
Thursday	15	6:19	8.5	6:51	7.7			12:36	0.9	7:09	4:35

Please be aware that all tide charts are really just predictions and assume average weather conditions. Usually, onshore winds or low barometric pressure will produce higher tides than predicted and vice-versa.

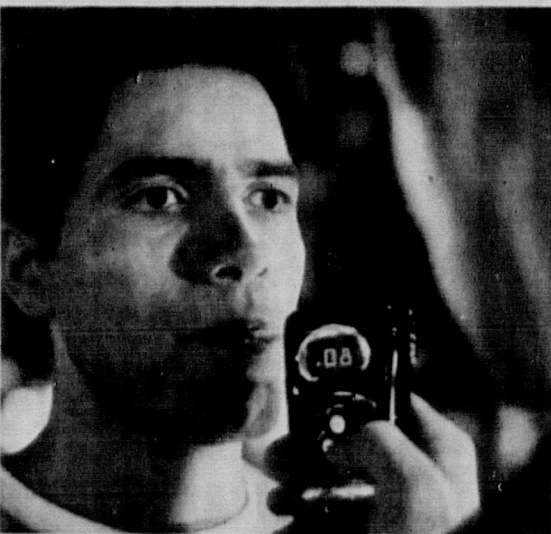
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POLICE BEAT

New Year's party ends with three arrests

By Mary Ford
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A house party on Hammond Avenue off Beechwood Street got out of hand in the wee hours of New Year's Day resulting in the arrest of three young men, including the party host, police said.

It began with 9-1-1 calls around 12:25 a.m. reporting a fight in progress involving eight or nine men with 40 to 50 other people partying at a house near by.

A witness reported hearing a disturbance and when her boyfriend, who is a 47-year-old Hull man, went outside her house to see what was up, he was attacked, police said.

When police arrived, James Lawless, 19, of 59 B St., Hull, was on top of the other man beating him around the face and neck. Police were able to subdue Lawless, who was arrested and charged with assault and battery.

Police called in for mutual aid from Scituate police to help with breaking up a party at 20 Hammond Ave. where the yard was strewn with empty beer cans and empty beer and vodka bottles. There was a large group fighting in front of that house. Police entered the home and found the party host, Andrei Greenfield, 19, of 20 Hammond Ave., who told police it was his party, that his mother was out of town for New Year's Eve and he decided

to host a party. He told police a large group had crashed his party. Andrei Greenfield was arrested for keeping a noisy and disorderly house.

Inside the home, police found a 20-year-old Hull man who had been punched in the face possibly by someone wearing a ring that had torn his eyelid. He was taken by ambulance to South Shore Hospital.

Another 20-year-old man, Ivan Greenfield, of 20 Hammond Ave., who was highly intoxicated by taken into protective custody; investigation revealed that there was a warrant out of Plymouth District Court for Ivan Greenfield's arrest for motor vehicle offenses. He was held without bail until next session of court on Friday morning.

A Cohasset police officer's hand was injured breaking up the fight; he sought treatment through his primary care physician and did not miss any work, police said.

Mutual aid

At 8:20 a.m. on Tuesday (Jan. 6) Cohasset police provided mutual aid to Norwell in searching for an intruder who had entered a home on Summer Street in that town.

The Summer Street resident had returned home from dropping his child off at school and heard something upstairs. He grabbed a kitchen

knife and confronted an intruder who was carrying a large jar of change, police said. He ordered the man down the stairs and onto the floor, but when the resident went to get the phone – the suspect, who was white and in his 20s – fled out the back door.

Cohasset's K-9 unit, another officer and two detectives helped Norwell establish a perimeter in an effort to locate the suspect. Norwell called in assistance from the police air wing as well.

After 2-1/2 hours the search was called off; the suspect is still at large, police said.

Chickens loose

Police received a report on Monday morning (Dec. 29) about a brood of domesticated chickens along one of the trails at Thayer and Whitney Woods. The caller was concerned the chickens might fall prey to a hungry wild animal.

Minor MVA

An officer assisted with the paper exchange following a fender-bender in Tedeschi Plaza on Monday evening (Dec. 29). A 2008 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck, operated by a 61-year-old Scituate man, backed into a 2005 Hyundai Santa Fe, operated by a 73-year-old Scituate man, police said.

Stolen item

A 49-year-old Fairoaks

Lane man reported to police on Tuesday (Dec. 20) that a \$40 video game he had ordered through the U.S. mail had never arrived. He had been waiting since mid-November and after tracking the purchase realized it had been delivered and was apparently stolen from his mailbox, police said.

Deer MVA

At 7:17 a.m. on Wednesday (Dec. 31), a motorist reported hitting a deer on Beechwood Street by Wheelwright Farm. The deer was critically injured and there was minor damage to the car, police said. An officer had to put the deer down because it was suffering.

Summoned

A 35-year-old Brockton man is being summonsed to court for operating after license suspension (subsequent offense) following a traffic stop on Friday (Jan. 2) around 2 p.m. on S. Main Street. An officer pulled over the 1998 Ford Econoline van the man was driving due to a smashed windshield. Further investigation revealed his license was suspended. The van was towed.

Hit & run

Police were able to locate a black 1995 Jeep and its owner who fled the scene of an accident thanks to a report from a concerned witness to the accident.

At 3:55 p.m. on Friday



Cohasset Officer Patrick Reardon and K-9 Erik help Norwell police in their efforts to locate an intruder who entered a home on Summer Street in Norwell. COURTESY PHOTO

(Jan. 2), a motorist in a 2004 Chevrolet Cavalier told police she was behind the Jeep that was traveling very fast on Forest Avenue toward the ocean. She saw the Jeep strike a 2009 Toyota Yaris that was coming out of Forest Avenue extension to turn left onto Jerusalem Road and keep going.

Police traced the plate and went to a home on Nantasket Avenue where they found the Jeep with some front end damage consistent with the accident. The motorist, who is a 55-year-old Hull woman, is being summonsed to court for leaving the scene of an accident following property damage.

Deer MVA

A wrecker had to be called for a 2005 Saab, operated by a 56-year-old Norwell woman, after the car hit a deer on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) by Mendel Road. There was heavy front-end damage to the car and it was not drivable, police said. The driver reported the deer leapt out

from the west side of 3A in front of her car. She was not injured.

Slid on ice

A 2010 Jeep had to be towed after it slid on the ice into the wall at the foot of Forest Avenue by Jerusalem Road on Saturday (Jan. 3) around 8:30 p.m., police said. The 18-year-old teen driving the Jeep from Scituate was not injured.

Civil matter

Police explained to the affected parties that a dispute over constructing a temporary ice skating rink between a tenant and landlord is a civil and not a police matter. Apparently the tenant wants to build the rink over the objections of the property owner.

Noisy fans

Reports of people yelling and banging on the walls at the next unit to the caller in the Avalon complex on New Year's Day night turned out to be loud football fans watching a game. They were told to keep it down, police said.

BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permits were issued for the month of December.

Hassan, 15 Arrowwood St., \$10,000, install new deck and shed; Rogers, 14 Oak St., \$12,500, 30 squares asphalt roofing; Hugo, 13 Cedarledge Village, \$6,600, 6 squares cedar shingles; Peisch, 90 North Main St., \$12,000, 15 squares wood roofing; Rodriques, 86 Ledge-wood Drive, \$9,628, replace one door, seven windows; Wimberly, 119 Border St., \$820,000, new single-family dwelling;

Domingos, 188 South Main St., \$3,000, repair chimney;

Ford, 790 Jerusalem Road, \$960, replace two doors; O'Halloran, 37 Elm St. \$21,200, remodel basement bath/sheet rock basement; Toll Brothers, 28 Orchard Drive, \$345,000, new single-family dwelling; Toll Brothers, 11 Hickory Circle, \$315,360, new single-family dwelling; MacLeod, 85 Linden Drive, \$6,760, 12 replacement windows; MacLeod, 26 Cedar Acres Lane, \$23,360, 17 replacement

windows/replace cedar shingles on side; St. Peter, 63 Spring St., \$5,000, kitchen and bath remodel; Laura, 50 Elm Court, \$7,500, sheetrock and remodel basement; and Shannon, 589 Jerusalem Road, \$30,000, demo existing building.

Also: Hassan, 15 Arrowwood St., \$53,000, in-ground pool; Fleming, 23 Elm St., \$16,000, two hydrovents and duct distribution; Caristi-MacDonald, 41 Oak St., \$9,071, replace two windows and one door/no structural; Curran, 16

Heritage Lane, \$60,000, finish basement, no structural; Auensen, 34 Stockbridge St., \$4,200, add wedge dormer over bathroom; Goines, 5 Mendel Road, \$1,451, replace patio door, no structural; Global Signal, Turkey Hill Road, \$20,000, add three antennas and cables to existing tower; Shannon, 589 Jerusalem Road, \$48,450, foundation;

Shephard Lonsky, 55 Linden Drive, \$6,800, 10 squares asphalt and rubber roofing; Pleasant Street Realty Trust, 87

Pleasant St., \$325,000, new single-family dwelling; Forest, 36 Parker Ave., \$30,000, demo existing addition, chimney and attached garage; Staszko, 828 CJC Hwy., \$2,300, install signage of South Shore Autowash; Troland, 20 Hammond Road, \$30,000, convert garage to bath/laundry/bedroom; Bacon, 39 Rocky Lane, \$10,000, remodel bath; Reynolds, 2 Holly Lane, \$14,800, replace kitchen cabinets/crown molding and tile floor; Stevenson, 173 Hull St., \$1,000, ECO firebox.

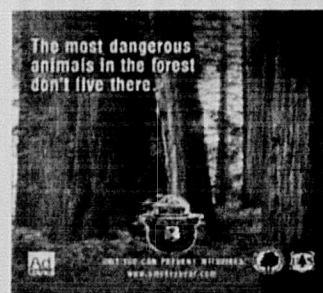
BRIEFLY

Winter parking ban is in effect

Winter parking regulations are in effect through April 1.

No overnight on street parking between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. is allowed during winter parking regulations.

Violators are subject to a fine of \$25.



DPW

Winter means salt, snow

Cohasset Department of Public Works reminds residents that a sand and salt mixture will be available in the upper corner of the town parking lot. The DPW will re-stock as soon as all streets are safe to travel on.

When snow is forecast,

residents are asked to not park on streets plowed by the town to expedite snow removal. Vehicles that obstruct snow removal operations will be towed at the owner's expense. Residents and contractors are reminded not to move snow, ice or water onto

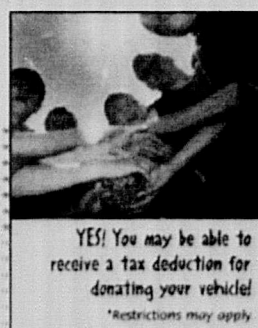
roadways that may impede traffic or cause unsafe travel conditions.

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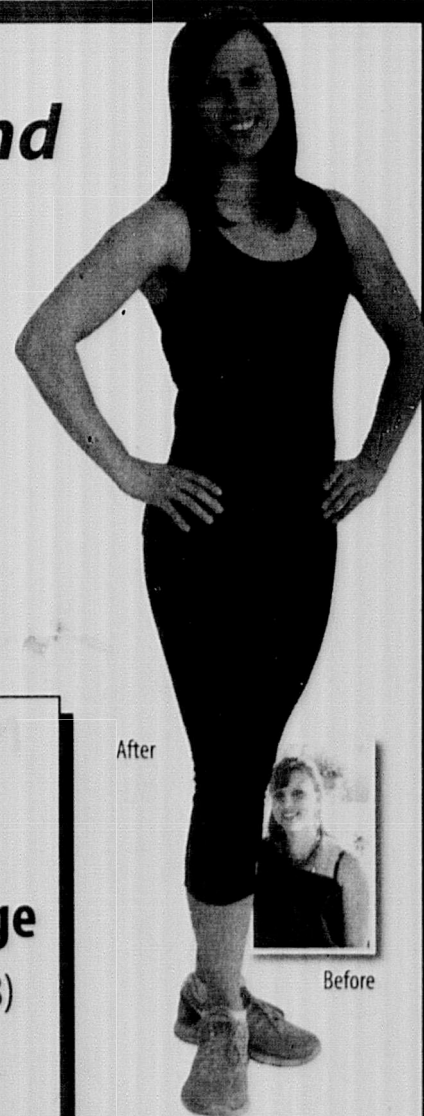
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Youngsters enjoy Community Center class

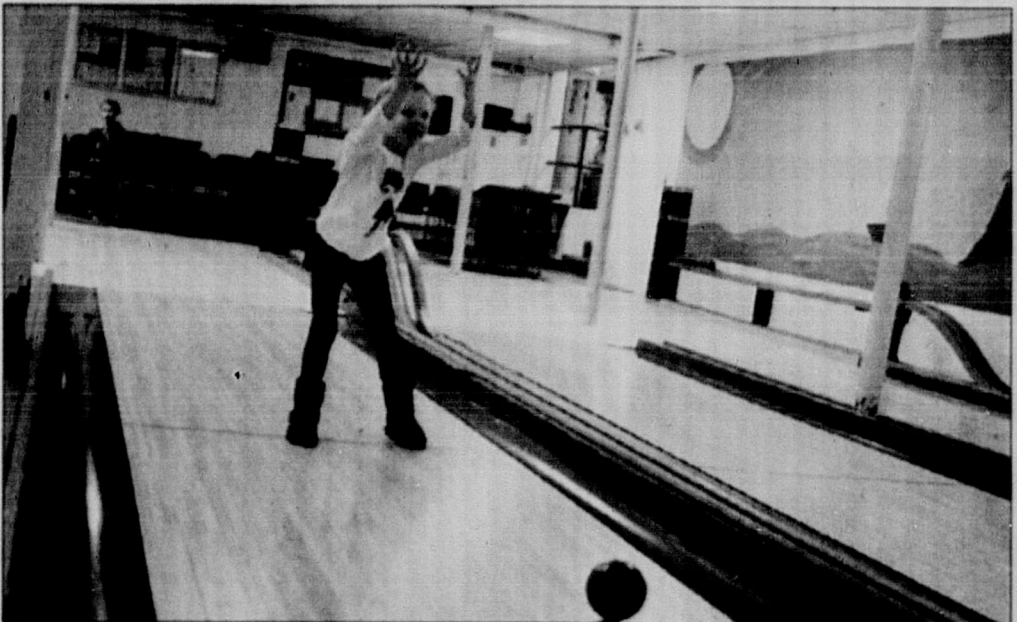
"Gymnastics, Sports and More" for boys and girls ages 4 to 10 was held at the South Shore Community Center last week. The youngsters had a fun-filled day of gymnastics, sports, bowling and crafts.



Instructor Michelle Kenerson helps Henry Gallagher, 3, make a snowman.



Ben Ramsey, 4, tosses the bowling ball.



Grace Kiernan, 5, bowls at the South Shore Community Center during last week's program.



Charlotte Gallagher, 5, shows off her coloring skills.



Darragh Foley, 4, uses her snowman cup as a puppet at the South Shore Community Center.



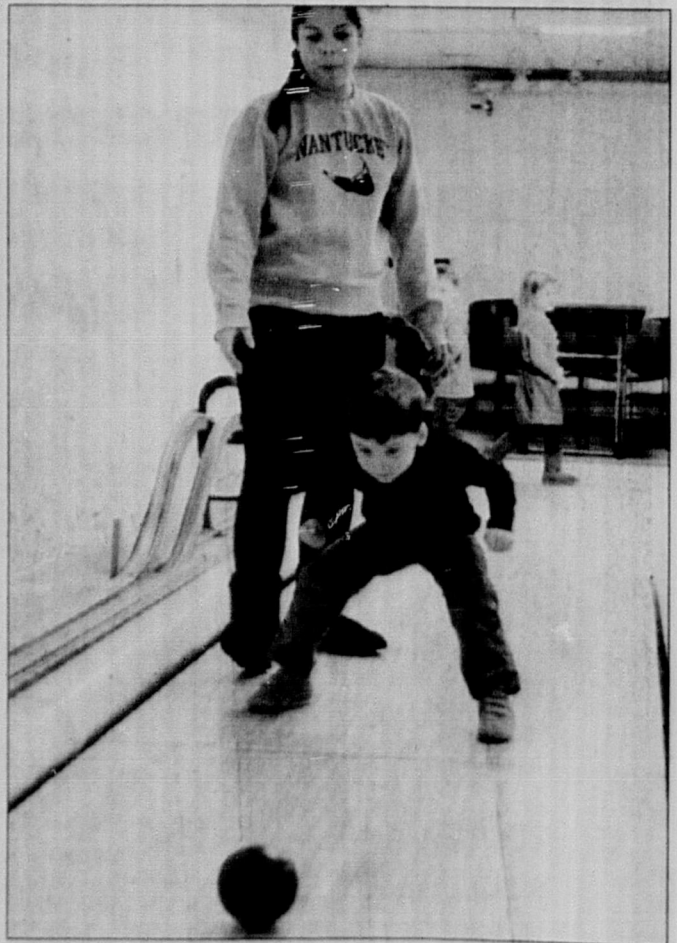
The children at the South Shore Community Center all show their snowman cups.



Molly Kiernan, 3, rolls the bowling ball down the alley.



Charlotte Gallagher, 5, Grace Kiernan, 5, & Darragh Foley, 4 show their snowman creations.



Instructor Nancy Durkin helps Jack Gallagher, 3, bowl.

CSCR LECTURE

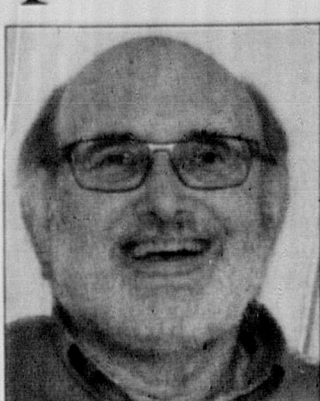
Fate of vernal pools and their inhabitants

The Center for Student Coastal Research is kicking off its 2015 lecture series on Jan. 13, with another look into vernal pools, presented by Dr. Steven Schwartz, aquatic ecologist and lecturer at Bridgewater State University. Dr. Schwarz will present some interesting, yet little known aspects in terms of why size is an important factor, and these at times inconspicuous habitats are rather complex in nature.

Vernal pools are ubiquitous features of the New England environment. The textbook definition according to the Fish and Game Department states that they provide valuable breeding habitat for a large variety of amphibians, which complete their life cycle in the surrounding uplands and forests. Vernal pools may vary in

size, shape and location and typically appear year after year in the same location except during extremely dry years. They are, particularly during the late summer months, difficult to notice, therefore identification and documentation are vital to protecting vernal pools.

In his planned CSCR lecture, Dr. Schwarz states that although vernal pools are common our knowledge of function and relatedness across the landscape is weak. They are inadequately studied and unappreciated by the lay and scientific community due to the assumption that these extremely shallow habitats are biologically important only to amphibians and perhaps fairy shrimp. These assumptions are largely untested because of how we see these pools and even how we speak about them.



Dr. Steven Schwartz, aquatic ecologist and lecturer at Bridgewater State University. COURTESY PHOTO

During his presentation, Dr. Schwarz will try to demonstrate to the audience that these habitats are complex relative to the small size of most of their inhabitants. Size matters, and the large number of species living in

these pools experience their world in a dramatically different way than we imagine.

To all friends of vernal pools, an important result of Dr. Schwarz' research is that there is a lack of geographical pattern in the distribution of most vernal pool species. This result supports the hypothesis that many invertebrate inhabitants of vernal pools disperse poorly. The consequence to conservationists is that each vernal pool acts as an island for poorly dispersing species and preservation of the habitats is critical in a landscape that is increasingly fragmented.

Dr. Schwarz is a marine biologist and grew up in St. Louis. He always loved science and became interested in water at an early age,

although he never saw the ocean until he started his higher education at Long Beach State. From there, he moved to Northern Arizona University to study a lake and then to the University of Nebraska researching and learning about the animals of vernal pools. Dr. Schwarz held professional positions in Ontario, Georgia, Oklahoma and Massachusetts, with a two-year stay in Israel along the way. At each place he worked in vernal pools, which were his guiding interest to this date. He learned to see the world from a different perspective at each stop and the sum of his experiences essentially helped to see vernal pools in a unique way, shaping his expertise on many of the invertebrates of vernal

ponds. Due to vagaries of life, Dr. Schwarz has been primarily teaching for the last few years, away from research, but is advocating for these habitats.

This lecture and discussion event is hosted by the Center for Student Coastal Research, 40 Parker Ave., Cohasset, a nonprofit organization located in Cohasset. The CSCR educates students in environmental sciences, encourages environmental awareness, and promotes activism. Details are available at www.cscr.org.

General attendance and participation is complimentary; tax-deductible donations are welcome. Register for the event using the Eventbrite link at: cscr.org/cscr-lecture-series.

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LIFE AT CHS

Getting back to the routine

Happy New Year Skippers and welcome back to all Cohasset High School students who received a longer than usual reprieve from school work! Although the holiday season was not as snowy as some may have hoped, the winter chill is certainly still in the air this week reminding us that the end of break does not mean the end of winter.

While the break was as relaxing as ever, everything seems to be back to normal this week with the continuance of winter sports, senior college applications, and preparing for the end of the semester. However enjoyable the break was, a lot has happened since this column last ran.

Cohasset athletics are again dominating the South Shore with wins from majority of the teams. Boys' hockey just beat Hull-Middleboro 7-1 while girls Cohasset-Hanover hockey beat Scituate 3-0. Boys' basketball beat Southeastern



ASHLEY CURRAN

71-56 and the girls' team defeated Weston 41-28. These are only a few examples of the multiple victories that occurred while the CHS building was recuperating from an exciting fall season.

While many of you could have found that online on the Cohasset sports Twitter feed, it's always nice to be reminded of how successful the Skippers are in each of their respectable divisions.

This Thursday at utility period, (for those of you who don't know utility is a facilitated study period every Thursday morning at CHS), the Cohasset Recreation Department held a summer job fair where students walked through the gym looking at different perspective employment opportunities for the summer break.

A great way to find a local job for a young student, the job fair had multiple Cohasset and area groups presenting an overview of their programs and job options. For the many seniors going to college next year, it was also a great way to find a job that interests them in order to make some money for school. The fair continued throughout the day and moved to the Town Hall. Guidance has been making a huge effort to

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have the elder Skippers' applications to higher education be as painless as ever these past few months with many more ahead. With that being said, the junior class can be confident in knowing that they will be in capable hands come time to begin looking at schools. While more upperclassmen are finding out of their fate for next year, it is certainly encouraging that the guidance office, in particular, are already received questions from juniors about SATs and school visits as the focus is shifting to the next group of capable applicants. Good luck to them and everyone else involved as we complete this daunting process.

Overall, the majority of the school week has been focused on making up missed assignments or remembering one's schedule, thus, the news this week has been brief. However, in the true spirit of CHS, I am confident everything will go back to as busy and fast-paced as it usually is by Monday. Stay warm this week!

Ashley Curran is a senior at Cohasset High and a regular columnist for the Cohasset Mariner.

AROUND TOWN

Resolutions for the New Year

Resolutions

Happy 2015 Cohasset! So here we are: My "resolutions" are of course about eating healthy, working on weight, exercise and making more time in this New Year for friends, family and maybe even me (hmm, worth a shot.) Send me an email at aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com to let me know some of your top resolutions, too.

As I write this column, we are getting ready to "enjoy" the coldest temps of the season, the big old goose egg as some are saying 0 degrees! Brrrr. I am not complaining (well, actually maybe just a little) as we have been pretty lucky so far with relatively mild days in November and December but, if it is going to be freezing cold then bring on the mounds of SNOW!

I am sure everyone by now has heard all the warnings but please make sure to do what you can to listen and use them. Run your taps if needed to keep the pipes from freezing, layer your clothing when outside, fresh batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, check on elderly neighbors and please drive careful when icy or snowy.

Balance

Our friends at Balance Studio here in town wanted you all to know about a program called, "Blah to Bliss" happening this Sunday, Jan 11th from 2 to 4:30 pm. If you are feeling bummed, burned, stressed or bottomed out, then it's time to come alive. You deserve a life that's luscious. In 'Blah to Bliss' Catherine Hummel will guide you on a course for the New Year. Set more than a resolution that is focused on one aspect of your life, but a theme for the year ahead, one that will



JENNIFER PIEPENBRINK

guide you towards a more meaningful and fulfilled life. See you there, at Balance Studio.

Drowned Hogs
Oh my goodness, another event is already here and I cannot believe it is that time already! Jan. 31st is a prelude to Ground Hog day in America, and more notably for local residents, it's Drowned Hog Day in Hull! For the 20th year, the Drowned Hogs will storm Nantasket Beach and make their mad dash into the Atlantic Ocean. At noon, on Sat, Jan 31st, hundreds of hardy nutcases committed to doing something cool and crazy for a cause — Well-spring Multi-Serve Center — will predict spring's arrival.

For more visit: drowned-hogs.org or wellspringhull.org. Registration fee is \$10. and includes the eagerly awaited 2015 Drowned Hog T-Shirt.

Pomfret School

Grace Keenan of Cohasset, a member of the Class of 2015 at Pomfret School in Pomfret, Conn., was recently part of an all-school academic experiment called Project: Pomfret. From Dec. 2 through 17, in place of structured class time and homework, students were instead tackling one of 27 exercises in learning that saw plenty of overlap between academic disciplines. The list of topics ranged from geocaching, engineering, environmental, theater and dance projects,

to exploring the American legal system, the LGBT community and Hollywood's take on World War II. Finished products included illustrated children's books, a personal Hip-Hop playlist, and two par-3 miniature golf putting greens, complete with water hazard. There was even a project for aspiring photojournalists who documented the efforts of everyone else.

Grace was in the group of students and faculty who collaborated on a project titled The Future of Energy, in which the group examined the political, social and economic impact of a projected 80 percent global increase in the demand for energy by 2060.

U. of Rochester

John Joseph Buckley, a graduate of Cohasset Middle High School, was a recipient of the Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award Scholarship at the University of Rochester. This scholarship is awarded to outstanding high school students who have demonstrated excellence in the sciences. John, the son of **Barbara and Jack Buckley**, is a resident of Cohasset.

That's the cold and chilly news for this week Cohasset. Send everything for next week by Tuesday at 2 PM. EMAIL: aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com

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DON'T MISS THIS

Tour of National Parks out west

Cohasset Historical Society will begin its 2015 Wednesday Evening Lecture Series with a tour of Western National Parks. Board member, Judy Dickstein will take attendees on a tour of some of the parks in the western part of the United States, including The Grand Canyon,

Monument Valley, Arches, Zion, Bryce and the oldest national park, Yellowstone. The tour is based on a trip taken by the Dicksteins this past September where they were impressed by the contrasting scenery, rock formations, weather variations and the wildlife. The program, which is

open to the community, will begin at 7:30 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Society Headquarters, 106 South Main St. There is no charge, although donations to the Historical Society are gratefully accepted, and light refreshment will be served before and after the talk.

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SELECTMEN

More steps for event applications

Board to require Notice of Intent form, fee

By Erin Dale
edale@wickedlocal.com

Cohasset still has a ban on approving events that have yet to be held in town – however, officials will continue to consider approval of legacy events.

The Board of Selectmen held another in a series of discussions on town events during the Tuesday, Jan. 5 board meeting. Last month, the board voted to place a temporary moratorium on approving any new events in town as the board continues to revise the town's events application.

"We did that so we'd have an opportunity to step back and review our policies, procedures, and the application process," selectmen chair Diane Kennedy said Tuesday.

At the moment the board "will entertain applications for events that have previously been held in Cohasset," said Kennedy, adding that during the Jan. 20 meeting the board will review the application for the annual Memorial Day and Healing Field festivities.

Since the event application is undergoing revisions, "We will go forward with the old

application until we finalize what we want to do, then we can decide... whether to lift the moratorium," said Kennedy, adding, "The application form needs a little bit more shaping."

There are several reasons the board is upping its standards for holding events in town.

"Given the events we've had, the truth of the matter is there isn't a big capacity or willingness to add more big events in town," said Kennedy, explaining why the board needs to implement a more thorough application process.

"We're issuing a permit – I literally think of a physical permit," for events, said Kennedy. Applicants "can know they're going to get a permit, but we're not signing off until we know everything's in place."

One new policy the board could choose to implement is requiring a Notice of Intent (NOI) form to be filed six months prior to an event. This would be for "basically anybody who wants an event in town, and we have defined that in the policy as something that impacts public safety [and might require] road closures," the selectmen chair explained. "For most events of scale that are going to impact public safety, they should know about them well before six months."

The board discussed

having a filing fee of \$25 for the NOI. The form will be similar to the original event application. Adding the NOI requirement essentially "splits the form into two," said Kennedy.

Once the NOI is filed, it "triggers the formal application and permit fee," a meeting of the board of selectmen to review the event, and series of other steps, including a meeting with a town "event review committee" comprised of public safety, the Department of Public Works (DPW), and affected town departments.

"They will take the application and synthesize it, and come back with a report," said Kennedy.

Fire Chief Robert Silvia said that this part of the process is crucial in order to get input for everyone involved in planning for a large-scale event.

"Very simply, the events that had pre-event meetings, such as the [Cohasset] Triathlon and [Rotary] Road Race, sitting down with public safety well in advance of the event" have run more smoothly than events that eschewed such a meeting. Silvia would also like to have post-event meetings "to discuss anything that didn't go well."

The fire chief said it's important to have "everybody in the same room" to go through the event plans once.

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Selectmen Chairman
Diane Kennedy

He cited last month's Disney movie shoot in town as an example. The production company "sat down at the police station with representatives from fire and police," said Silvia. "Everybody got the same answers to the same questions at the same time; it worked out really well."

Town Counsel Paul DeRensis, who was at Tuesday's meeting, said that he would like to make some edits to the board's event policy. After making necessary adjustments, Kennedy and selectman Karen Quigley, who worked together on the revised application along with Silvia, will come back to the board with recommendations.

"We do have ultimate discretion," Kennedy said of approving events. "We want to give everybody an understanding of what our expectations are."

Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

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Selectmen call Annual Town Meeting

The Spring 2015 Annual Town Meeting has been officially called, and the warrant is now open for town boards and departments to start submitting articles for consideration. The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously (5-0) Tuesday to formally call the meeting and open the warrant.

Annual Town Meeting (ATM) is scheduled for Saturday, May 2 at 10 a.m. in the Cohasset High School gymnasium.

The selectmen reviewed a timetable leading up to the ATM, starting with a Notice of Intent (NOI) form being posted and distributed on Jan. 7 to

department heads and committee chairs to gauge potential articles that could appear on the warrant. The NOI deadline is Jan. 27.

"Pretty much by the end of the month, we'll know what's coming," said selectmen chair Diane Kennedy. An open session with

Town Counsel will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 3 for citizens' petitions. The deadline for draft articles from departments and bars is Feb. 10. The warrant goes to print on April 10.

Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

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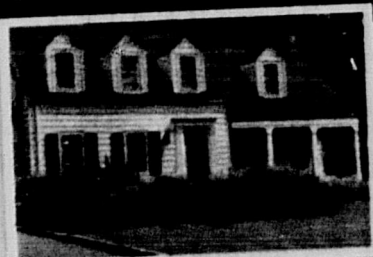
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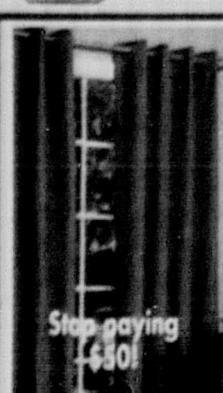
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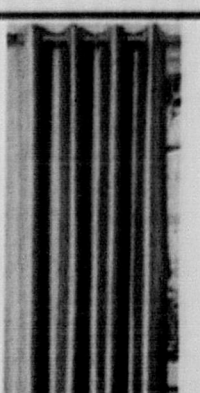
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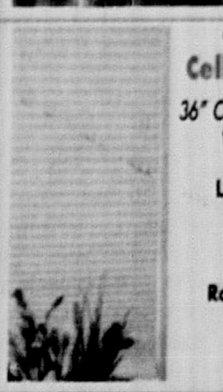
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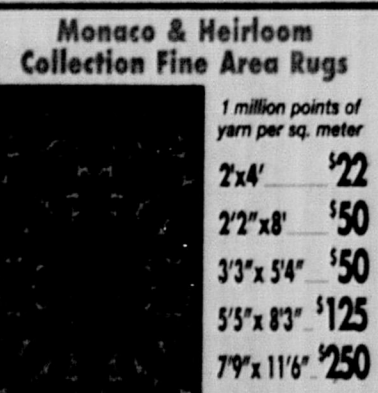
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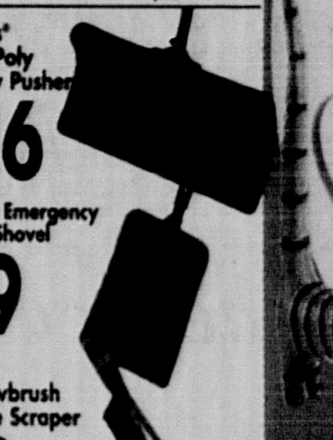
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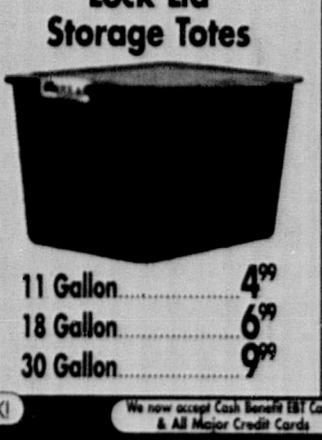
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RED LION

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way or the other. Further, "there is no prohibition about wedding ceremonies in the bylaw," the attorney added. "Cultural events are permitted as a matter of right."

ZBA chair Woody Chittick challenged, "Isn't it the basic premise in zoning that if a bylaw is silent on a use, it's not permitted?"

Humphreys argued that a wedding ceremony is "governed in a commercial district by special permit," and that weddings are allowed anywhere in town, from the common to Government Island or the beach. A wedding ceremony could also be considered "accessory use" to a wedding reception, which is permitted to take place at the inn.

And if these ceremonies involve clergy, "You can't do anything that deliberately restricts a religious exercise," said Humphreys. While zoning regulations exist that can limit religious organizations, "I don't believe they exist in the this space."

This matter previously came before the Board of Selectmen in 2013, when a complaint was filed against the inn holding outdoor weddings. In a public hearing, Humphreys argued that "a wedding ceremony was not entertainment, and not governed by an entertainment license."

The attorney said that a "civil, religious ceremony authorized by law" does not fit the definition of entertainment "as we understand the word." The town's bylaw also lacks a "precise for description," added Humphreys.

Merriam-Webster defines "entertainment" as "amusement or pleasure that comes from watching a performer, playing a game, etc." and also "the act or amusing or entertaining people."

Neither of these descriptions fit the bill for a wedding, said Humphreys.

While neighbors have complained about outside noise from these events, from guests applauding and music being played, Humphreys argued that it's only acoustic "background" music or "soundscapes passively listened to," not "a show designed to keep people's attention."

When neighbors Michael and Rowena Karp showed a video of a wedding ceremony to the selectmen as part of the 2013 complaint, Humphreys argued, "The only noise that night was 13 seconds of applause at the end of a wedding."

Michael Karp said later in the meeting that he has a video for each wedding that took place this year. "One had a four-piece band; they played the Beatles, all kinds of music," said Karp, adding that the ceremonies took place not only on weekends, but during the week. "Some rehearsal parties start Tuesday night, and can sometimes be louder and rowdier than the actual wedding."

"It's loud enough that we can't watch TV in our house with all the windows shut," he continued, stating that these events take place 25 feet from his property.

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"Imagine 100 to 200 people right there, with no soundproofing and a see-through fence," said Karp. "It's loud enough that we can't watch TV in our house with all the windows shut... You get that number of people, it's a constant buzz."

Mark Bourbeau, the attorney representing the Karp, said that the special permit for outdoor weddings falls under another board's purview.

"They can go to the appropriate board, the planning board, and if they decide" to allow outdoor ceremonies, "they can impose certain conditions," said Bourbeau.

He also took issue with Humphreys labeling virtually all weddings as religious.

"In Massachusetts, a wedding is an act of the state - it is not by its nature a religious ceremony which has to be permitted anywhere," said Bourbeau.

The Karp's attorney said that given all of his clients' complaints over the years, along with their "videos of numerous weddings" to prove their point, the inn's appeal could be defeated by "death by a thousand cuts."

Red Lion Inn owner Gerd Ordelheide defended his request to hold weddings, saying his purchase of the inn both revived the building and brought new business into the village.

"In 1997, I bought it, it was a dump," Ordelheide said of the inn. "I spent a substantial amount of money to get it going. Cohasset is a competitive place, off the road... it's the smallest town on the South Shore."

Ordelheide said of the Red Lion, "The only way I could save it was with weddings."

Chittick concluded that the matter is out of the ZBA's hands. The inn is trying to set "conditions I don't believe are the purview of this board any longer," the chairman said. "Whether it's 20 weddings [a year] or 50, one guitar or a band, that's the planning board; you have every right to go and ask them to relax the 2000 decision."

Even if the Planners grant the inn's request, the Karp's attorney cautioned that this has gone beyond a simple special permit - and into hostile territory.

"A special permit is not supposed to be detrimental to the neighborhood," said Bourbeau. This request for outdoor weddings "is not in harmony" with the inn's neighbors, the attorney argued. "It's discordant, jangling noise."

—Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

TOP TOWN

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to establish the Center for Student Coastal Research (CSCR), an educational and environmentally active facility and program.

The deadline for nominations for the Citizen of the Year is 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13. Please see the nomination form on page A9. The form may be photocopied. Letters of nomination are also accepted and should be mailed or sent by fax to The Cohasset Mariner, 73 South St., Hingham 02043. Our fax number is 781-741-2931. Letters of nomination by email to mford@wickedlocal.com are also welcome.

This is not a popularity contest. Following the close of nominations, a selection panel - after reviewing the names submitted by poring over the nomination letters and comments - will select the Citizen of the Year.

Nominees may be someone in elected office, a member of an appointed town committee, teacher or school administrator, clergy member, firefighter, police officer or other municipal worker. And the nominee may be a person in the business community, sports figure or an "unsung" neighbor or friend who has freely given of his or her time and energy for a worthwhile Cohasset project or cause.

This year's recipient will be the 22nd person honored as the Cohasset Citizen of the Year, joining past recipients:

■ **Gerard T. Keating**, "Mr. Cohasset": for his more than half-century of contributions to the community, including serving as chairman of the Council on Aging, chairman of the school committee, president of the hockey boosters club, vice president of the Cohasset Historical Society, and director of veterans services, and lector.

■ **Joseph D. Buckley**, for his work behind the scenes helping seniors understand the complexities of the healthcare system and to access health benefits through SHINE (Serving

Health Information Needs of Elders), his service on the Council on Aging, and volunteer work over the years with the Boy Scouts, and Little League.

■ **Dr. Robert T. Sceery**, for his more than 40 years of dedicated service as a pediatrician in town and school doctor. He also served on the board of health and led the fight back in the 1970s to sewer the town.

■ **The Rev. Gary Ritts**, pastor of the Second Congregational Church, for being a positive force for good through his work with the Appalachia Service Project (ASP), an ecumenical volunteer effort involving Cohasset teenagers. ASP is a home building ministry in central Appalachia.

■ **Anna Abbruzzese**, for all her volunteer work including preparing and delivering meals for the Pine Street Inn, driving the senior shuttle and coordinating the Gourmet Cooking Club at the Council on Elder Affairs; and her many efforts to help revitalize Cohasset Village through the Farmers' Market and much more.

■ **Katherine Stanton**, for her tireless service to the town and its citizens over the years. She also volunteered as a case reviewer for the state Dept. of Social Services, served on the school committee and recreation committee, and along with her family was involved with the creation of the Cohasset Sailing Club.

■ **Clark Chatterton**, for his generosity of spirit and deep caring for his fellow man, his years of work as a teacher and athletic director at the high school, including innumerable efforts helping others behind the scenes. He also helped raise money for many causes including Alumni Field and the American Cancer Society.

■ **former state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray** for a lifetime of service to her hometown, first as den mother and Little League mother and Girl Scout leader, and then as selectman. She was also honored

for her public service as state representative for more than two decades.

■ **Glenn Pratt** for his determination over 20 years to see more cemetery space in town, remembering local soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice, helping to lead the effort to expand the community center, serving as an elected official, and spearheading the effort to build a memorial to local mothers who lost sons in wartime.

■ **Arthur Lehr** for more than 50 years of volunteer service on worthwhile projects including the Boy Scouts; serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals and as a Registrar of Voters; Clerk of the Works for the DPW garage, Little League Complex, and Mariners Park; serving on the Recycling Committee, and as town Civil Defense Director.

■ **Marjorie Murphy** for touching countless lives through her roughly 25 years as school librarian at Deer Hill. With eyes that twinkle and an infectious smile, Mrs. Murphy devoted her life to helping children discover the wonders of reading and the value of a good book.

■ **John Coe**, a WWII veteran, for all his volunteer service at the Senior Center where he helped make the center a warm place where people come and meet friends and his service as the "beloved Town Crier" every year at the Village Fair.

■ **Marjorie "Margie" Steele**, who was the "heart and soul of the Cohasset Food Pantry," for her energy and long-time commitment to the important service, which has helped countless people in need over the years.

■ **Roger Whitley**, a retired architect, former Advisory Committee member, and Paul Pratt Library Trustee, who has spent much time over his 50 years as a Cohasset resident "involved."

■ **Merle Brown**, former selectman (four terms), Conservation Commissioner, involvement with Beechwood Ball Park

project, Boy Scouts, recycling, to name a few.

■ **JoAnne Chittick**, artist and volunteer. Chittick has been a volunteer at Rosie's Place for 30 years; 20 of which she has coordinated 50 local cooks who sign up to prepare meatloaf, vegetables or dessert once a month for 10 months a year for the shelter.

■ **Dick Avery**, volunteer, whose community service activities - including serving on town boards, on non-profits, helping the Boy Scouts and so much more - are almost too numerous to list.

■ **Ed Lappen**, truly one of life's "good guys" for his tireless dedication and service to his family, community and the world.

■ **Veneta "Vee" Roebuck**, a life-long conservationist for her long-time service on the Conservation Commission helping to protect the Cohasset environment.

■ **Phil Lehr** for his 50 years of involvement in scouting, serving as a youth sports coach, work with the Appalachia Service Project, keeping Wheelwright Park shipshape and more.

■ **Jack Buckley** for his vision, foresight and determination in helping to establish the Center for Student Coastal Research (CSCR), an educational and environmentally active facility and program.

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OPINION

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OUR VIEW

Thanks for speaking up in 2014

Before 2015 gets too far along, we still have some important 2014 business to attend to.

Some of the following names may be familiar to you, others may not be. But the people attached to these names all have one thing in common: they wrote at least one letter-to-the-editor or penned a commentary to the Cohasset Mariner in 2014.

A few wrote thank you notes to the people of Cohasset or organizations for their help or support; others complained about a decision or lobbied to have their views considered; while still others educated us about programs, problems or activities.

But no matter what the subject, putting pen to paper to share your views with your fellow citizens is important. The First Amendment is close to our hearts here in the newspaper business and at no time do we appreciate it more than when ordinary citizens, like those listed here, take advantage of their Freedom of Speech. And what better vehicle is there than your local paper?

So here at the Mariner, we salute the following citizens:

(Please note: if more than two people signed a letter, due to space restrictions, only the first person is listed. Also, unless they penned a letter, our regular columnists are not included.)

Chris Allen, A. J. Antoine, Ginny Ballou, Barbara Baumgarten & others, Russell Bonetti, Gregory Boyle, Jack Buckley, Paul Carlson, R. Murray Campbell, Ted Carroll, Timothy Cavanaro, Margaret S. Chapman, Bill Chisholm, Noel Collins, Mary Ann Cushing, Sam Curatola, Diane Danielson, Peter DeCaprio, Jack DeLorenzo, Michele Dilley, Ralph Dormitzer,

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The editorial pages of the Cohasset Mariner belong to you. It's where you can speak out or just say thank you to a citizen or group that went beyond the call of duty.

Sometimes it takes a good dose of courage to let your voice be heard, but we think it's worth it. Often one voice is all the inspiration needed to propel others to action.

To those of you that have thought about writing and haven't, please reconsider. To those whom we hear from on a regular basis, keep writing!

There are lots of weeks to go in the New Year — which will be filled with events, decisions, happenings and controversy. Let us hear what you think in 2015.

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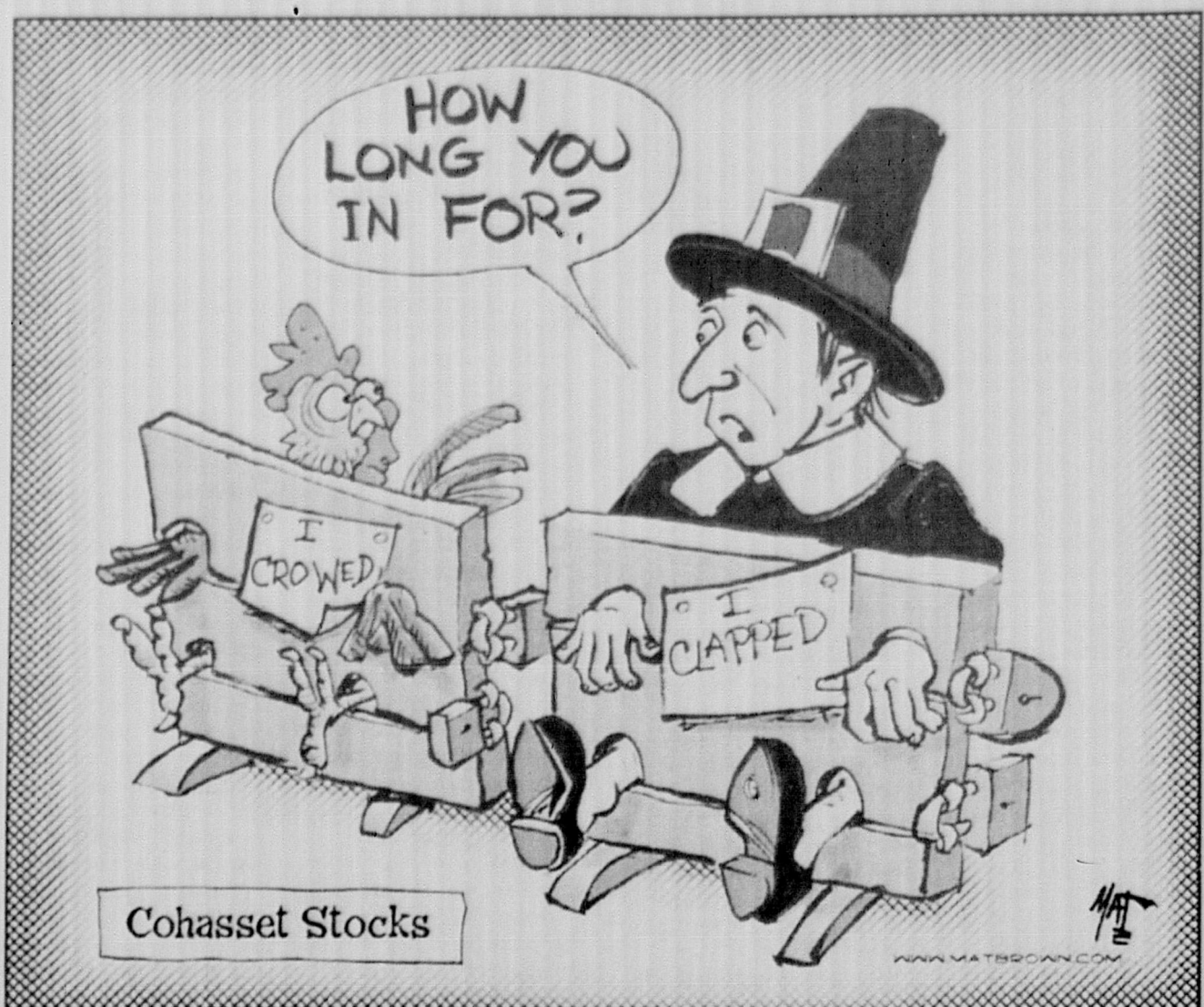
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COMMENTARY

Funding medical insurance for retired Cohasset employees

By Timothy C. Davis

Decades ago, the Town of Cohasset agreed to provide medical insurance for Town employees, both active and retired. Historically, the Town was able to fund these costs out of its operating budget. However, nothing was done to prepare for the growing OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) liability, the future cost of retirement medical benefits for service already performed. Additionally, the State of Massachusetts unilaterally mandated that Cohasset and other towns pay a higher portion of selected OPEB premiums than initially agreed between the Town and its employees.

As a result, the unfunded OPEB liability has grown to \$40 million and continues to grow approximately \$2 million

per year. The Town's portion of insurance premium for active and retired employees now accounts for 10 percent of the annual Town budget and is growing at 5 to 8 percent per year while revenues can only grow at 2-1/2 to 3 percent per year. If this trend is not resolved, the Town will face having to reduce employees, cut services and make other painful adjustments to the budget.

The solution to this problem comes in many parts and will impact all of us in different ways.

■ The First Step was to migrate current employees to a better and economically more favorable MIIA plan. This has been done and was received favorably by our Town employees. Resultant savings were contributed immediately to the OPEB Trust Fund pursuant to a successful vote at the 2014 Special

Town Meeting.

■ The Second Step is to migrate retired teachers from their existing GIC insurance plan to the same MIIA plan already adopted by our active employees and other retirees. The MIIA plan will provide better and more cost effective insurance benefits to the retired teachers. All resultant savings should be contributed directly to the OPEB Trust Fund.

■ The Third Step is to migrate all Town employees to the original 50:50 cost sharing of medical insurance premiums. This step will take time, will involve many discussions and good faith negotiations and will come with appropriate cost mitigation.

It is imperative that all favorable economic benefit achieved through this process be directed to the OPEB Trust Fund,

thereby securing payment of medical insurance premiums for retired Town employees.

Further, we must institutionalize discipline for future generations by establishing Town policy to fund the OPEB Trust Fund as part of the Town annual budget process. Presently, the OPEB Trust Fund merely competes for remaining free cash.

If this Plan is implemented, the Town will begin to reduce the \$40 million unfunded liability and, over the course of several decades, will bring that liability to zero. This will result in a sound and sustainable medical insurance program for all Town employees and retirees and will put the Town on a much stronger economic foundation.

Timothy C. Davis is a member of the Cohasset OPEB Committee.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Lobster Trap Christmas Tree

We hope that the residents of Cohasset enjoyed the second annual Lobster Trap Christmas tree during the holidays. It was erected on the patio of The Old Salt House next to the Atlantica Restaurant on Border Street. As promised, the tree was bigger and better than last year. It contained almost 400 lobster traps, over 1000 white lights and was topped with a four foot nativity star. Special thanks go to the many children and townspeople who helped decorate the tree with lobster buoy "ornaments."

We would also like to thank Peter Roy and Joe Campbell of Atlantica, who provided the venue, power and, on the night of the lighting, hot chocolate and cider to those who attended the event. Of course, our biggest thanks go to the Cohasset lobstermen lead by Cohasset native Ricky Barrow who provided the traps and manpower to build the tree. Ricky's team included: Adam Donovan, Jeff Stone, Cory Barrow,

Tyler Judge and Jose Oliviera.

We anticipate that the tree will be taken down on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 10 and 11. The buoy "ornaments" will be left on the Salt House patio to be picked up by their owners and, hopefully, returned next year.

You may recall that for the first tree erected in 2013, we had to raise funds for onetime costs of the tree. Largely thanks to Ron Goodwin of Goodwin Graphics, we exceeded our actual costs and were able to donate \$1,500 to the Cohasset Food Pantry. Remembering that this year, the Konohasset Lodge of the Masons, the American Legion and Gerd Ordelheide of the Red Lion Inn, donated another \$800 collectively, to the Food Pantry in the name of the tree.

My family and I feel blessed to live in Cohasset. Spearheading the Lobster Trap Christmas Tree is one of our ways of giving back. Thanks to all involved. — **John Covell, 83 Elm St.**

TOWN CLERK

Complete and return census forms

The 2015 annual Town Census forms have been mailed to every household in Cohasset. This census package also includes a dog license application. All dogs must be licensed by April 30 each year. Dog forms are on a tear off portion of the census forms. The licenses are valid through Dec. 31, 2015. Dog forms need to be returned as soon as possible with a current rabies certificate.

Compliance with this state requirement provides proof of residency, street listings, veteran's bonuses as well as protection of voting rights, senior citizen programs and related benefits. The census form, does not register people as voters. The population figure has a bearing on the state and federal aid Cohasset will receive.

While the street list is primarily used to update the voting list, statistics on children are taken for the School Committee, providing it with data on current enrollment as

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well as present and future school population. (Note: The School Committee uses the annual census information to help project future enrollment and space needs. Review the form carefully to ensure each child is reported and all dates of birth are accurate.)

Any member of the family in the military service, away at college or confined to a rest home whose legal residence is the same as one's own should be included on this form.

Anyone who did not receive a census form, or if more information is needed, call the Town Clerk's Office at 781-383-4100, ext. 106.

POLITICAL PERCH

On quantum physics and local government

Newton's gravitational and other theories have long been successfully used by scientists and layman alike. They are still very useful in explaining planetary movement and navigating space travel. Newton's theories are about how the universe operates on the grand scale.

However, in the early 20th century, we found that very small things, like atoms and their component parts such as neutrons, protons, quarks and other such sub-atomic particles, behave in ways unexplainable by Newtonian physics. The search is still on for a grand theory that explains physics at both the cosmic and sub-atomic levels. The universe works one way when viewed on a very large scale but another way when viewed at the sub-atomic level. The rules of one don't apply to the other.

Local governance functions in a similar manner. On the national level general principles are often applied to the formulation of broad goals and policies. Formal ideological constructs are used by large organized parties (such as Republicans and Democrats) to formulate policies and programs with large scale national impact. Social Security, foreign and defense policies, the Federal Reserve, Keynesian economics or general tax policy are examples of big picture views of what's good public policy.

However, governance looks very different at the local town or city level than at the national level. At the local grassroots level grand strategies and ideologies are less applicable.

This, I believe, is why party affiliation or



KEVIN MCCARTHY

ideology is rarely influential in local town politics and government. Candidates for local office do not run as a member of a political party and the coalitions that form locally around issues are always a mixture of Democrats, Independents, Republicans and Libertarians, etc. Participants and organizations active in local issues often combine and re-combine around different issues.

Viewing the same participants and organizations as they operate on the local versus the national level you would think you were looking at two different worlds – and that's because you are looking at two different worlds. Local dynamics operate under different rules and realities than do larger national dynamics.

Another interesting similarity to physics is the randomness and unpredictability that exists in the quantum world of sub-atomic particles as opposed to the more predictable nature of big picture planetary Newtonian physics. Quantum physics is a lot more confusing than our conventional understanding of the world – randomly changing, appearing erratic and seeming to operate in several different universes simultaneously. Sound like local politics?

There may well be a good reason for the seeming tumultuous nature of local politics. Local governance generally involves the more immediate and personal. Specific local

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For me that is why local governance, no matter how strange, unpredictable and mysterious it often seems, beckons our active engagement. Local government deals directly in vital proximate issues related to schools, elder services, water, sewer, roads, public works and on and on. In other words all the things that actually touch us physically and/or emotionally every day.

Local public issues are the very stuff of our everyday lives. If we don't get them right we are not going to have a successful community. We must have a sense of local satisfaction and security as a base from which to pursue the national goals we aspire to in order to truly fulfill our unique and larger scale American destiny – a work still in progress.

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VIEW FROM THE FRONT PORCH

Fifteen tidbits for (20)15

First of all, I'd like to wish a warm and prosperous New Year to all the readers of the Front Porch. I'd like to also extend the same warmth and prosperity to those who don't read the Front Porch but unfortunately they'll never know because for some reason they don't read these ever so important columns. Oh well I don't hold it against them, it simply means more prosperous warmth for the rest of you. Anyway, here are 15 tidbits from ideas for possible articles in 2015. Be warned, you may see some of these again at a later date.

1. The game 'Trivia Crack' should be banned immediately. If my wife and children leave me, if my teeth begin to fall out and if I start to look like I have not seen the light of day in months, it'll be because of a highly addictive online/mobile game called 'Trivia Crack.' Think Trivial Pursuit for your phone; trust me, there's never been a more appropriate name.

2. Introducing – Pantry Madness! Move over NCAA March Madness, this column will dedicate the entire month of March to encouraging a town wide food drive to support the important work of the Cohasset Food Pantry. Everyone who donates will be mentioned in a future article and entered in a raffle for great prizes including baseball tickets and gift cards. More to come but I'm looking for additional prizes for the raffle, any businesses or individuals who might be interested in supporting Pantry Madness by donating a prize to be raffled please drop me an email.

3. Here is my official push to expand the Festival of Lights celebration in the village for 2015. It was a great evening and could grow into something magical. I envision carolers, more lights, perhaps events on the common and of course more people dancing in store front windows. Let's make this night a Cohasset tradition.

4. Another event that should become a Cohasset tradition is the Junior Triathlon. The second running is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 11, and is an extremely positive healthy event for children. Unfortunately due to timing, our daughter Tyler will be coming home from camp that day and therefore we can't be there. However, if someone wants to organize a Tyabetics Team to support JDRF this year you can count on my support. Please email me if you're interested.

5. Speaking of triathlons, Selectman Martha Gjesteb, who hasn't been a strong supporter of the Cohasset Triathlon, will be ending her term in



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May. It's my hope that Cohasset will give her the respect she deserves when she completes her tenure. Even with all of the questions that have surrounded her time in office, no one can deny that she stepped up and served our town at a time in her life when most of her peers are saying 'I've had enough.'

6. Anyone seriously interested in and believe they have the dedication to serve should step up and run for Selectman. Whether you're an older member of the community, a parent with young kids or business owner; your involvement can make a significant difference. Voter turnout for last year's Selectman's election was close to 40 percent, Cohasset needs another robust turnout this year in order to move on from the issues of the past few years.

7. I am looking forward to seeing a vibrant and thriving Senior Center becoming a key cog in the community; however I sometimes sense that it'll be an under-utilized facility and the focus of future funding debates. I hope I'm wrong because it deserves the appropriate funding if it's being used.

8. Can you imagine if you were excelling in your present job for three years only to find out that you were deemed interim in your role? That's the stress Acting Police Chief William Quigley has to deal with. Selectmen, if Acting (oops) Town Manager Chris Senior doesn't do the right thing and appoint Quigley permanently, I hope you all do the right thing and stand by our Chief.

9. I honestly hope that newly elected Governor Charlie Baker is able to make a positive impact here in the Commonwealth. Seeing that the last three elected Republican Governors have essentially quit on the state, just finishing out his term would be an improvement but I am hoping for more.

10. Nationally speaking, it's time for Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg to step down. At 81 years old the liberal justice should retire before the end of President Obama's term. I am a strong believer that the Supreme Court should have a 5-4 balance and with what's sure to be a Presidential election that favors the Republicans, Justice Ginsburg should retire to ensure a competitive balance. Justice Breyer, you might want to

consider the same course of action.

11. I've said it before and will continue to say it, the lack of sidewalks to and from Avalon are doing the children in our community a great disservice. A child living in an isolated apartment complex without safe independent access to their peers and youth programs is a recipe for disaster. The town owes it to those kids to complete that project.

12. While on the subject of kids I wrote an article last year addressing the inadequate traffic zones around our schools. Today they are still inadequate. Who's responsible for these zones? Superintendent Cataldo? The School Board? The Department of Public Works? Whoever it is, take a drive over to Old Oaken Bucket Road in Norwell to see what a properly marked school zone looks like. Better now than after something happens.

13. Let's keep this kid ball rolling shall we? I believe that Cohasset's school system should establish a public goal of moving higher in the state educational rankings. If Kennedy can inspire the country to go to the moon certainly Superintendent Cataldo can inspire a community plan to get our schools ranked in the top 10 in the state. With a student population that rivals a private school and two supporting parent organizations (CEF and PSO) Cohasset's school system should be primed to be recognized as one of the upper echelon educational programs. Rewarding the great teachers, thinning out the not-so-good teachers (and there are some), improving extra-curricular activities and decreasing the classroom sizes are just a few ideas to look at. We should not settle on this.

14. OK this point is really all about me. U2 will be playing four shows at the Garden in July. I currently have tickets to the first and last night and I'm in hopes someone will want to invite me to join them for the third night (I can't go the second night). What can I say; I have serious issues when it comes to U2 but I'm a lot of fun at a concert.

15. Finally, this may be hard to believe, but this column is the 50th View from the Front Porch. Fifty columns in 26 months, my goodness what is wrong with that man? The next View will take a look back over all those words.

As always, thanks for reading and I hope that 2015 is a year that you and your loved ones find to be full of laughs and good health. Peace.

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LIBRARY CORNER

January focusing on authors

Paul Pratt Memorial Library is at 35 Ripley Road, Cohasset. Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit the website at www.cohassetlibrary.org.

Artist Reception: South Shore Art Center will present an art exhibit by Tony Pilla at the library through Feb. 28. Meet the artist at a free reception from 2 to 5 p.m., on Sunday, Jan. 11.

Author Visit: Historian Michelle Marchetti Coughlin will discuss her book "One Colonial Woman's World" at the library at 7 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 22. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Cohasset Library.

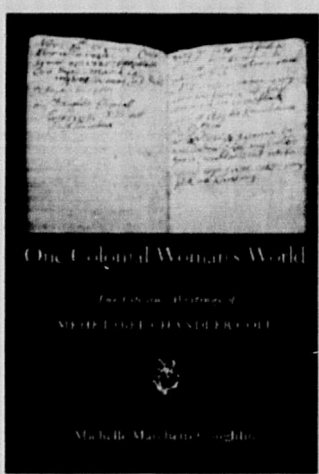
Open Book Hour author series: Calling all self-published or independently published local authors. Here's a chance to talk about one's book in a library setting.



"Journey from San Rocco" by Rosalind Cuschera. COURTESY PHOTO

On selected Saturdays each month, the library will make the Meeting room available for lesser known authors to give a book talk. If interested, call Reference Librarian Gayle Walsh at 781-383-1348 or email gwalsh@ocn.org.

Open Book Hour: Saturday, Jan. 24, 2 to 3 p.m. Author Rosalind Cuschera of Quincy will



"One Colonial Woman's World" by Michelle Marchetti Coughlin. COURTESY PHOTO

talk about her book "Journey from San Rocco," a book based on her family history from 1918-2006. Books will be available for purchase. Free event.

Library Book Group: Join others for coffee and discussion at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 28, to discuss the book "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd. All are welcome.

LIBRARY KIDS

Lego Club meets on Mondays

The following events for children will take place at Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road, Cohasset. For more information, call 781-383-1348 or visit the website at www.cohassetlibrary.org.

Mamasteph: Mondays, Jan. 12 and 26, at 10:30 a.m. Funded by the Friends of the Cohasset Library.

LEGO Club: Mondays, Jan. 12 and 26, at 4 p.m.

Puppet Story Time with Leigh and Friends: Tuesdays, Jan. 13 and 20, at 10:30 a.m., in the Story Room. Funded by the Friends of the Cohasset Library.

Storytime: Tuesday, Jan. 27, at 10:30 a.m., in the Story Room.

Story & Craft: Thursdays, Jan. 15, 22 and 29, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Register now for all

morning sessions. Each week a different theme will be explored using books and crafts. For ages 2.9 and older.

Story & Craft: Thursdays, Jan. 15, 22 and 29, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. No registration required for the afternoon session. Each week a different theme will be explored using books and crafts. For ages 2.9 and older.

JAN. 13

Community Center annual meeting

In accordance with Article V, Section I of the bylaws, notice is hereby given to the members of

the South Shore Community Center, Inc. that the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 13,

2015 at 7 p.m. at 3 North Main St., Cohasset. Only active members shall be entitled to vote.



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BENEFITS

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to the problem," he said.

According to the OPEB chairman, the problem began many years ago when towns "through contract and policy agreed to provide medical insurance to employees and retirees." However, "the policy was not adjusted in the face of rapidly increasing costs," Davis added. An unfunded state mandate required municipalities to increase their contributions toward health insurance.

Now, the unfunded liability "impacts all of us - taxpayers, employees, and citizens," said Davis.

"It leaves a hole in the town budget, accounting for approximately 10 percent of the total," the OPEB chair said. "And that [hole] is expected to grow between five and eight percent per year," with some estimates even higher than that, he added, "while town revenues can only grow two to three percent a year."

"The liability far outstrips projected town revenue over time," Davis concluded.

If towns do nothing to combat OPEB, they will be "forced to reduce employees, cut services, or make other painful adjustments to the budget," said Davis, adding that towns like Cohasset have three options: do nothing, reform benefits to sustainable levels, increase OPEB trust funds, or a combination of the latter two options.

The "do nothing approach" requires drastic spending cuts or a tax override, said Davis, which would negatively affect the town's bond rating.

"Ultimately the purpose of this is to maintain the promise that was made some time ago," selectmen vice-chair Steve Gaumer said of fulfilling the OPEB liability. "If we do nothing, we will not be

able to maintain [the town budget] without cutting the services we have."

"We have a promise that's larger than our budget," Gaumer added later in the meeting. "We have no way of making that promise work unless we make steps today."

The OPEB committee's recommended approach calls for town and school officials to work together to build up the town's OPEB trust fund, which was established by a previous Town Meeting.

One solution the town has already started on involved migrating employees in MIIA plans to a less expensive plan, which had a "significant positive impact on the town reducing insurance premiums," said Davis. The savings from that maneuver were voted into the OPEB trust fund at the April 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

Next, the OPEB committee recommends moving retired teachers from the current GIC plan to MIIA, "the plan everyone else in town is on," which will "result in retirees having a better plan that's less expensive to the town," said Davis.

This move also allows the town "to have the ability to change [its] contribution split," Davis explained. The OPEB chair further instructed that any savings or cost reductions realized from this switch should be dedicated to the town's trust fund to "offset the liability."

"If we implement the plan proposed, the town will decrease its unfunded obligation over time, decreasing the liability to \$0 over 30 years," Davis concluded, which will "lead to a fiscally stable town budget" as well as a "sound, sustainable medical insurance plan" for employees.

—Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

POLICE

Chief search starts in earnest

Town hires
BadgeQuest

By Erin Dale
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The search for a new Cohasset police chief is ready to launch.

The position will be advertised as soon as this week, Town Manager Chris Senior said during last night's Board of Selectmen meeting.

"We're moving the process along," said Senior, who is working alongside retired Waltham police chief Steve Unsworth of BadgeQuest, a police chief recruitment firm. Cohasset went out to bid in November for a consultant to help facilitate the search.

The town has been without a permanent chief since March 2012, when then chief Mark DeLuca was suspended and Deputy Chief William Quigley was appointed as Acting Chief.

The police chief search will be a nationwide one, with the job being posted on several websites. While Unsworth expects to receive "responses from all over the country," he said, "the focus will be on Massachusetts and New England."

The retired chief said that he expects to receive between 50 and 70 resumes, and from there will work to whittle the pool down to 15 candidates, which is "just a ballpark" amount.

"We don't want to eliminate any good candidates," said Unsworth.

That initial crop of candidates will be sent several written questions and will be asked for college transcripts and references. From there, the pool will be culled to four to six finalists, who will participate in an assessment center "designed to measure leadership, judgment, management and integrity," among other skills, said Unsworth.

The town manager will be part of the entire process, Unsworth added. Following the assessment center, BadgeQuest will

"We really look at candidates from as many angles as we possibly can. A typical assessment center eliminates and picks candidates; some might crash and burn, some rise to the top."

—Steve Unsworth of BadgeQuest

submit a report detailing "the numeric standings of the candidates" along with a narrative on each one.

"We really look at candidates from as many angles as we possibly can," said Unsworth. "A typical assessment center eliminates and picks candidates; some might crash and burn, some rise to the top."

Finalists will be selected for in-person interviews.

The entire search process will take three to four months, said Unsworth. "I feel comfortable that by mid-April, maybe sooner, the identity of your chief will be known."

Minimum requirements for the position include 15 years police work experience, with the minimum rank lieutenant, 10 years in a supervisory role, and a bachelor's degree. Unsworth said that his search team "must rigidly adhere to" these requirements.

BadgeQuest has conducted 45 police chief searches over the years, and Unsworth said that most of those chiefs have stayed in their positions.

"I don't think anyone has been terminated," he said.

Unsworth, who recently sold his company, said that Cohasset's is to be his last police chief search. Senior said that he told the retired chief, "I want this to be his best search."

Selectman Steve Gaumer asked which top traits BadgeQuest will look for in a chief. Unsworth replied, "Three qualities are essential: leadership, communication, and integrity. If one of those things is lacking... you're not going to succeed."

Selectman Kevin McCarthy wanted to know if citizens would be able to communicate

their concerns over the chief hire to the consultants. Unsworth said that BadgeQuest will publish a community survey, and that residents are free to contact the selectmen or town manager on the matter.

Unsworth told the board, "I'm confident each of you is open to your constituents; if they raise issues to you and you want to convey them to me, I welcome the opportunity to speak with each of you."

Senior said that folks are always free to meet with him. "I understand people have their perspectives."

However, selectmen chair Diane Kennedy said that in the end, the town manager must be free to choose the chief.

"Ultimately this is Chris's hire," she said. "One of the reasons for bringing in BadgeQuest is to step it away and give objectivity to the global design of the process... I think the individuals who want to have a conversation [about the search] have specific, non-global issues they want to discuss."

Selectman Karen Quigley (who is not related to Acting Chief Quigley) said that the police chief search should be run the same way the town manager search was, with independent consultants manning the process to "remove even the appearance of influence or bias."

Karen Quigley said that she would "rather rely on the survey" for community input on the search.

"This appointment is one of the most important that can be made in town," Karen Quigley added. "The person who becomes chief needs and deserves to have that process be unassailable. I hope whoever is our next police chief would enjoy the

support and confidence of the community."

Jack Keniley, chairman of the Capital Budget Committee, who was in the audience, noted that Cohasset's situation is unique because "we have an acting chief who has pretty significant support among the citizens in town." He wondered if this would impact the search compared to one with a "clean slate, open slot."

Unsworth said that this factor does not affect the assessment center. Exams will be done in a way that keeps the candidates fairly anonymous, he added, and recommendations will be made based on evaluations of the exam results.

"All I can say is I look at the candidates in their entirety," said Unsworth. "Your opinion and others' doesn't factor into it at this stage; it's not an election."

"It is a political decision," said Keniley.

Karen Quigley recalled that the board was told during the town manager search, which was as similar scenario with an interim at the helm, potential applicants could perceive there is a candidate with an "inside track," the town "may not attract as many or quality candidates."

Unsworth said he did anticipate that "will have some impact" on applications, adding that however, "If I thought we were window dressing, I would walk away" from the search.

The retired chief said that above all, he plans to conduct a fair and impartial search. And although he will "ride into the sunset" after this final police chief search, Unsworth said he is making a commitment to the town to do his very best, which reflects on the police profession as a whole.

"Forty-five years ago I took an oath of office; it doesn't go away when you retire," he said.

—Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

This week, with the end of the 2013-2014 session approaching, Beacon Hill Roll Call concludes its series that takes a look at some of the bills approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Deval Patrick in the 2013-2014 session.

BOSTON STRONG LICENSE PLATES (H 3664)

House 147-0, Senate on a voice vote without a roll call, approved a law allowing drivers to purchase "Boston Strong" license plates for an additional \$50 or more above the regular biennial \$50 fee for a license plate. Proceeds benefit the One Fund that raises funds for the victims of the Boston Marathon bombings.

Supporters said the revenue from the additional \$50 fee would allow people to contribute financial support to the thousands who were impacted by this tragedy. They noted that the plates are one more way to honor the victims and their families.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

MERCURY RECYCLING (S 1758)

Senate 36-0, House on a voice vote without a roll call, approved a law that would prohibit the sale and installation of mercury thermostats. The law also requires all thermostat manufacturers to make collection containers available to wholesalers, retailers and local government for the proper disposal of older mercury-filled thermostats. Prior to passage of this law, the disposal program was voluntary. The measure also requires the manufacturers to participate in an education and outreach program to inform the public about this program.

Supporters said mercury pollution can cause serious health problems for people and wildlife. They noted even a few drops of mercury have the potential to contaminate a huge number of fish.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

RAN "UPSKIRT" PHOTOS (H 3994)

Senate 39-0, House on a voice vote without a roll call, approved a law banning the covert photographing, videotaping or electronic surveillance of someone's sexual or intimate parts, regardless of whether those parts are naked or covered by clothing or undergarments.

The measure was filed and taken up on March 6, 2014, one day after the Supreme Judicial Court had ruled that a man who took "upskirt" cell phone photos on the MBTA did not violate state law because the women photographed did not have a legal expectation of privacy and were not nude or partially nude. It passed both branches quickly and the governor signed it into law the next day.

Supporters said the Legislature acted at lightning speed to close this giant loophole in the law before another perpetrator got away with this outrageous activity.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

PROTECTING ANIMAL WELFARE AND SAFETY (S 2845)

Senate 40-0, House on a voice vote without a roll call, approved a law increasing the prison time and fines for committing animal abuse. The measure increases the fine for a first offense from a maximum of \$2,500 to a maximum of \$10,000 while raising the maximum prison sentence for a first offense from five years to seven years. Under prior law, the fines and prison sentences for subsequent offenses are the same as first offenses. The law increases the fines and prison time for second offenses to a maximum of ten years and a fine of \$20,000.

Other provisions require veterinarians to report suspected animal abuse and create a special taskforce of experts to review methods to prevent animal abuse and punish those who commit it. The bill was filed in response to the "Puppy Doe" case in which a dog was euthanized after she suffered extensive injuries, including a stab wound to her eye and burns to her body.

Supporters said the Puppy Doe case is one of many similar cases that have occurred in the state. They argued it is time to increase the punishment and fines for those who commit such heinous crimes.

Some animal advocacy organizations, while applauding the increased penalties, have expressed concern about removal of a provision from the original bill that would have created an animal abuse registry. They say that without this important provision, shelters, breeders and pet stores, as well as people seeking new homes for their pets, can't know whether the person to whom they give or sell vulnerable animals has a history of animal abuse and neglect.

Supporters of the bill said that the task force will look into creating an animal abuse registry.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

PROTECT ADDRESSES OF SOCIAL WORKERS (H 4568) - The House gave initial approval to a bill that would prohibit a Department of Children and Families social worker's home address and home telephone number from being disclosed in any court proceeding.

Supporters said this would give social workers the same protection currently enjoyed by police officers. They noted that many social workers have been the victims of violence and argued that revealing this information makes them more dangerous.

ALLOW SIMULCASTING AT SUFFOLK DOWNS (S 2421) - The Senate approved and sent to the House a bill allowing Suffolk Downs for two years to continue simulcasting horse races from other states without being required to have any live races at the track. Current law only allows simulcasting if the track sponsors a certain amount of live races.

Supporters said that this would give the track's owners time to decide what they are going to do with the track following their failure to get a casino license. They noted 100 jobs depend on approving the bill.

CONFINEMENT OF MENTALLY ILL PRISONERS (H 4545) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a bill prohibiting mentally ill patients from being housed in a segregated unit at a prison for more than 30 days. The measure provides that these prisoners instead be sent to mental health treatment units. The Senate Ways and Means Committee estimates that the legislation will cost \$13 million.

Supporters said the segregation of mentally ill prisoners is counterproductive and often makes the prisoners even worse. They noted that a court agreement imposing this same rule expires in 2015 and argued things will revert back to the old rules of extended confinement in segregation units if this bill is not passed.

MASSAGE THERAPISTS (H 4551) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a bill that prohibits unlicensed masseuses from advertising on the Internet through websites, e-mails or blogs.

Supporters said a loophole in current law prohibits these unlicensed masseuses from advertising in print including newspapers, magazines and signage, but allows them to advertise on the Internet.

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ZONING

Lamppost dispute lights up

By Erin Dale
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A neighborhood dispute on driveway lights made its way to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) on Monday night.

The board held a public hearing for an appeal of the town building inspector's denial of enforcement action at 392 Jerusalem Road, owned by the Crowleys, where neighbors say that eight lampposts lining a driveway beam bright lights directly into their homes. The driveway in question is also a common driveway, shared by the Soules and Vanderweil families, although the driveway is owned by the Crowleys.

Abutters Jason and Carolyn Soules requested zoning enforcement, alleging that the lampposts violate the town zoning bylaws when it comes to setback requirements for structures, as well as light pollution.

The setback requirement, per town bylaw, is 30 feet from the front lot line and 15 feet from the side; none of the eight lampposts in question meet this requirement.

Building Inspector Bob Egan, however, believes these posts are an exception to the rule.

"The bylaw specifically exempts a few things from setback requirements," Egan said in a phone call Tuesday. "There are really only specific four: a fence, a mailbox, a utility pole or flag pole. Even though it wasn't specifically a lamppost, my thought is it's similar enough to the other ones in function."

Amanda Carozza, attorney for the Soules, said that the lampposts actually qualify as structures, and therefore can't be exempted from the bylaw and its setback requirements. Section 2.1 of the bylaw defines "structure" as "a combination of materials at a fixed location to give support or shelter," and includes bridges, fences, flagpoles, tents, and towers, among other things.

The lampposts at 392 Jerusalem are made of granite and stand approximately eight feet tall, said Carozza.

"They are a combination of materials - granite, cement, and various rock substances - at a fixed location and give support to the lighting fixtures on top of them," Carozza argued. "If these are not structures, I don't know what they are, quite honestly."

While some towns have opted to exempt lampposts from zoning bylaws, "Cohasset did not choose to do so," the attorney said, whereas light posts are referenced in other areas in the town bylaws. "If [the town] wanted to exclude them from the bylaws, they certainly knew how to do so and could have done that."

Disagreeing with Egan's interpretation of the bylaw, Carozza said that these



Janice Crowley, far right, shows the Zoning Board of Appeals photos she took of lampposts around town that are similar to the ones she has at her home on Jerusalem Road. PHOTO/ERIN DALE

posts shouldn't be lumped in with flagpoles or utility poles. "They're heavier, with a live current running through them."

Due to the posts' height, Carozza deemed them "an invasion of privacy" and offensive to neighbors, obscuring their oceanfront view. The attorney further stated that she believed the posts were erected after dispute among the neighbors.

"They were put in for spite, not safety," she said.

ZBA chair Woody Chittick challenged Carozza's categorization. "That's a little hard for us to give an attribution to."

Jeff Delisi, counsel for the Crowleys, said that the lampposts were installed before the Soules bought the house next door.

"It's a bit of a stretch to call them spite lights," Delisi said.

The granite posts were built in 2011 to replace wooden posts that the Crowleys had built to replace a vinyl lighting system that was in place when the family purchased the home in 1984, said Delisi.

Janice Crowley said that when she moved in, "The lights were in decrepit shape" and were "metal with a big round bulb on it. I replaced them initially with metal lights, with much brighter lights than what's there now."

After seeing how salt corroded the metal, Crowley replaced the posts with wooden poles and three-light candelabras on top, with 60-watt bulbs. The granite polls are more durable, she said.

Crowley brought a lantern to the meeting to show the board what she has placed atop the granite posts, and said that the style she selected is "one of the most popular lamps around town." She also showed pictures she took around Cohasset to showcase her point.

Crowley also said that the current bulbs are only 40 watts, while the Soules' attorney stated that the bulbs are 150 watts.

While the lights line her driveway, which her neighbors on either side have easements to access, Crowley said that in the past she has moved some of the lampposts to accommodate

her neighbors' doing construction on their homes.

The bottom line is that the lights are there for safety, not spite - period, said Crowley.

"These lights have always been there - it has nothing to do with who the neighbors are or aren't," she said. "This part of town is very, very dark" at night. "If you drove down Jerusalem road, if these lights weren't here, it is pitch black... It concerns me on couple levels," she added. "Walking down the driveway at night is dangerous... You can't see anything."

Ron Hobson, Linden Drive, spoke up at the hearing as a friend of the Crowleys. "I've been coming to her house for 30 years; there's always lights there," he said. "Nobody ever complained" in the past; "suddenly there's trouble all the time."

Another neighbor who was in the audience said that while understanding why the Crowleys would "want to illuminate [the driveway] for safety reasons," he thinks the lights are just too bright. He added that when the lights come on at night, "It's like Clark Griswold putting his lights up on Christmas Day."

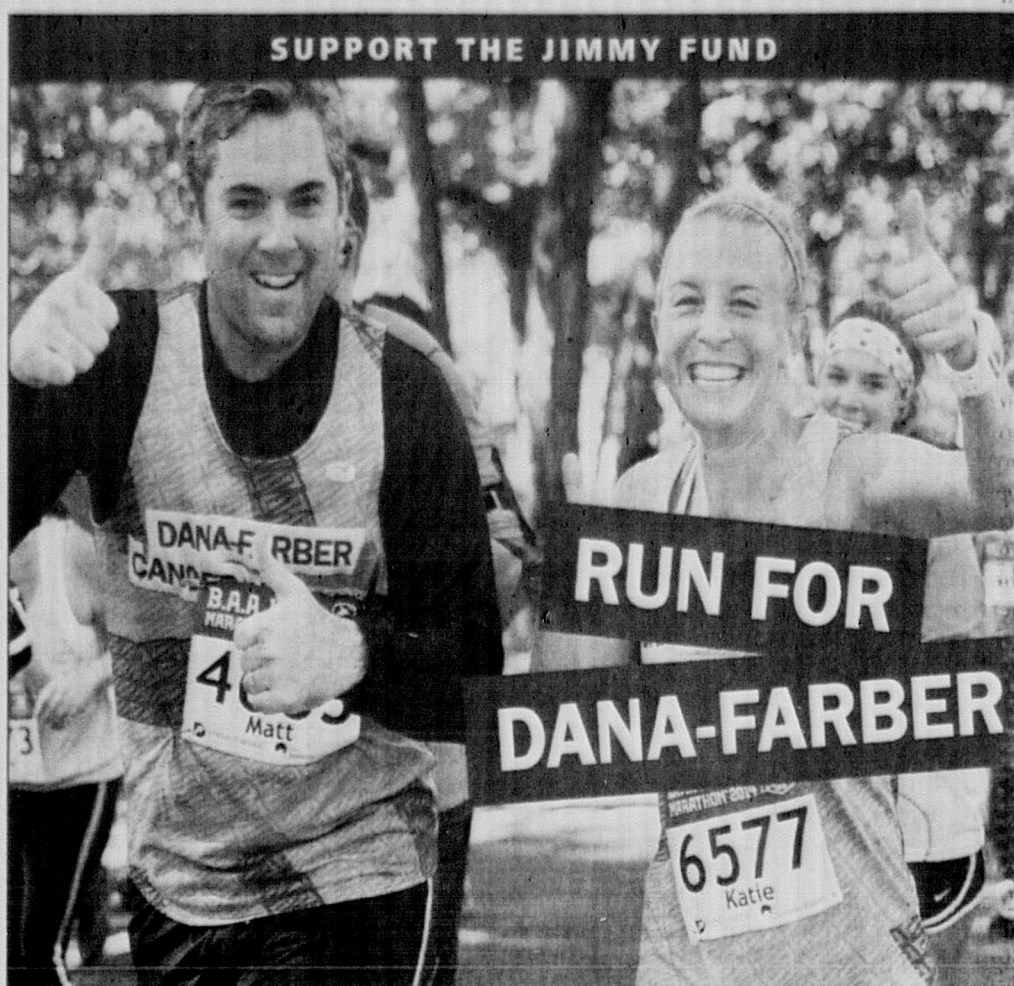
The neighbor, who said he lives two houses away on Deep Run, questioned how they could be only 40 watts but said perhaps they could be adjusted. He also failed to understand "why the polls have to be so high."

ZBA member Peter Goedecke said perhaps the lights could be lower to the ground. "Just as an observation, I do believe a lot of lights at the street are quite tall, but most along driveways are quite low."

ZBA member Jennifer Schultz said that she would like to do some measurements before coming to a decision, and would also like to see "some of the other vantage points" to determine how bright the lights are. Neighbor Bill Vanderweil, who was in the audience, said that the board members would be welcome on his side.

The board voted unanimously to continue the hearing to Feb. 2.

Look for more on this issue in an upcoming edition of the Mariner.



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permit at the Town of Cohasset website www.cohassetma.org. Once they are on the website they can select the Burn Permit Registration and fill out the registration form and submit the \$10 fee for the permit via credit card. Once payment has been received the system will generate a permit number for the resident to use for the entire 2015 Open Air Burning Season.

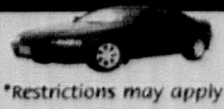
Residents with valid permit numbers wishing

to burn during the season will need to check the Town of Cohasset website www.cohassetma.org and select Check to see if burning is allowed and activate one's permit. This selection will inform residences if burning is being allowed for the day and will allow residences to register their permit number for the day. Residents can start to access the burning permit links on the town website starting Friday, Jan. 9.

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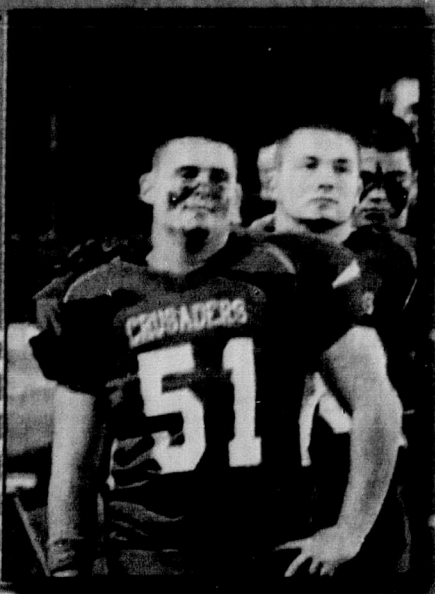
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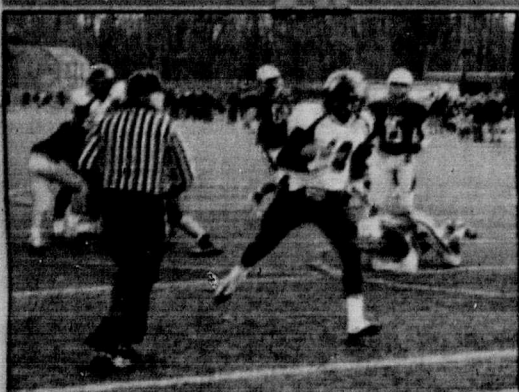
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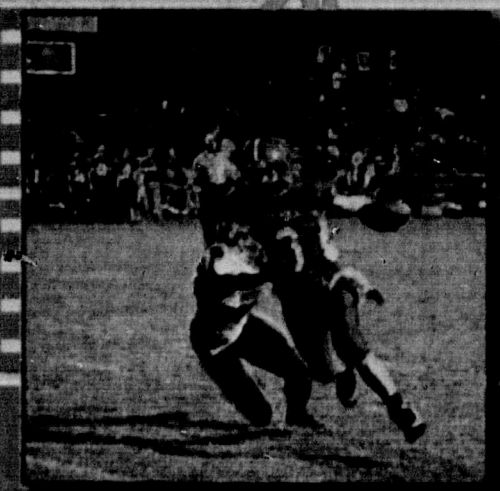
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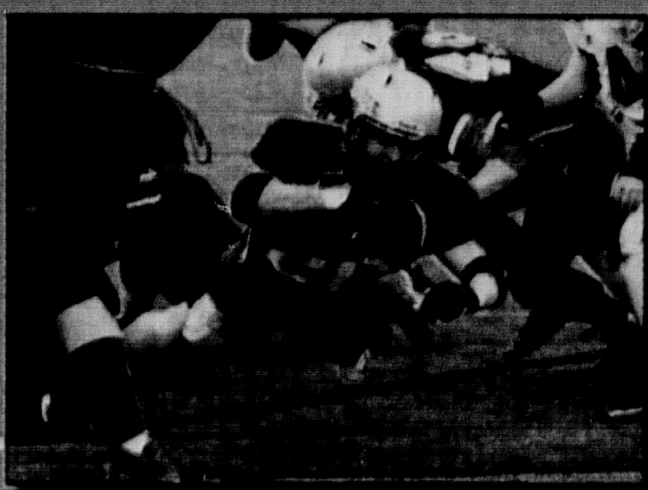
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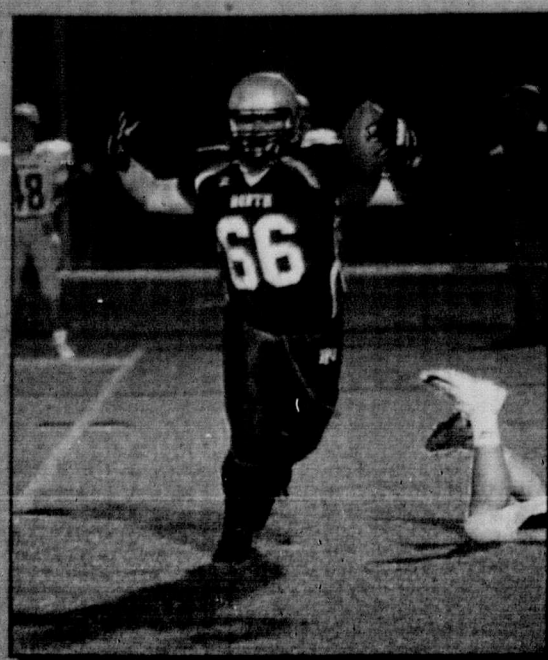
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Wrestling set for big tourney

Saturday is a big day for Cohasset wrestling as the team hosts its annual Cohasset Wrestling Tournament.

The tournament has been a staple of the Skipper sports schedule for more than 20 years now and a number of teams will be here battling all day Saturday.

One wrestler to watch is Matt Froio.

Froio recently won the 182 Division at the prestigious Marshfield Tournament, and notched his 100th career win in the Championship bout.

He won all four matches he wrestled, including a win in the final against a top wrestler from Rhode Island.

Most recently, Cohasset beat Carver 25-10 Wednesday night.

Drew Varney and Nick Hall both had pins, while Drew Skolnick and Matt Froio were also winners.

On the basketball court, the girls team picked up a 48-34 win over Monomoy, Tuesday.

The girls dominated the second half, outscoring the Sharks 20-6.

Emily Rosano and Meg Rosano both scored 16 points in the win and Megan Fitzgerald added 8 rebounds.

Alexa Bleicken chipped in 6 boards and 6 steals.

The girls hockey team had a tough one Wednesday, dropping a 4-2 decision to King Phillip at the Foxboro Sports Center.

That came after a 3-0 win over Scituate on Saturday.

Shea Kearney notched the shutout in net, while Valerie Farren scored twice and Sam Taylor scored.

There was also a 5-1 win over Quincy/North Quincy in the Quincy Youth Tournament at the end of December.

PANEL

Young Women in Sport Panel

On Sunday, Jan. 11 at the Derby Academy (56 Burditt Ave.) in Hingham, there will be a panel discussion about the value of athletics in women's lives.

Members on the panel include Team USA women's Olympic ice hockey coach Katey Stone, college men's and women's swimming coach Mel McLaughlin, former UCLA gymnast and sports broadcaster Maura Farden, Middlebury College women's lacrosse coach Missy Foote and former University of Virginia lacrosse player Whit Hagerman.

The discussion runs from 4-5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Tickets can be reserved by contacting youngwomeninsport@gmail.com or by calling Mel McLaughlin (617-610-4759) or Bee Raymond (781-561-5268).

All proceeds will go to Young Women in Athletics and Moving Leaders Forward, a non-profit started by Raymond.

BOYS HOCKEY

Numbers game for icemen

Hockey looking to find right combinations

By Mark Ducharme
Correspondent

Cohasset hockey Phil Mahoney has a math problem that he wants his team to come up with the answer for it.

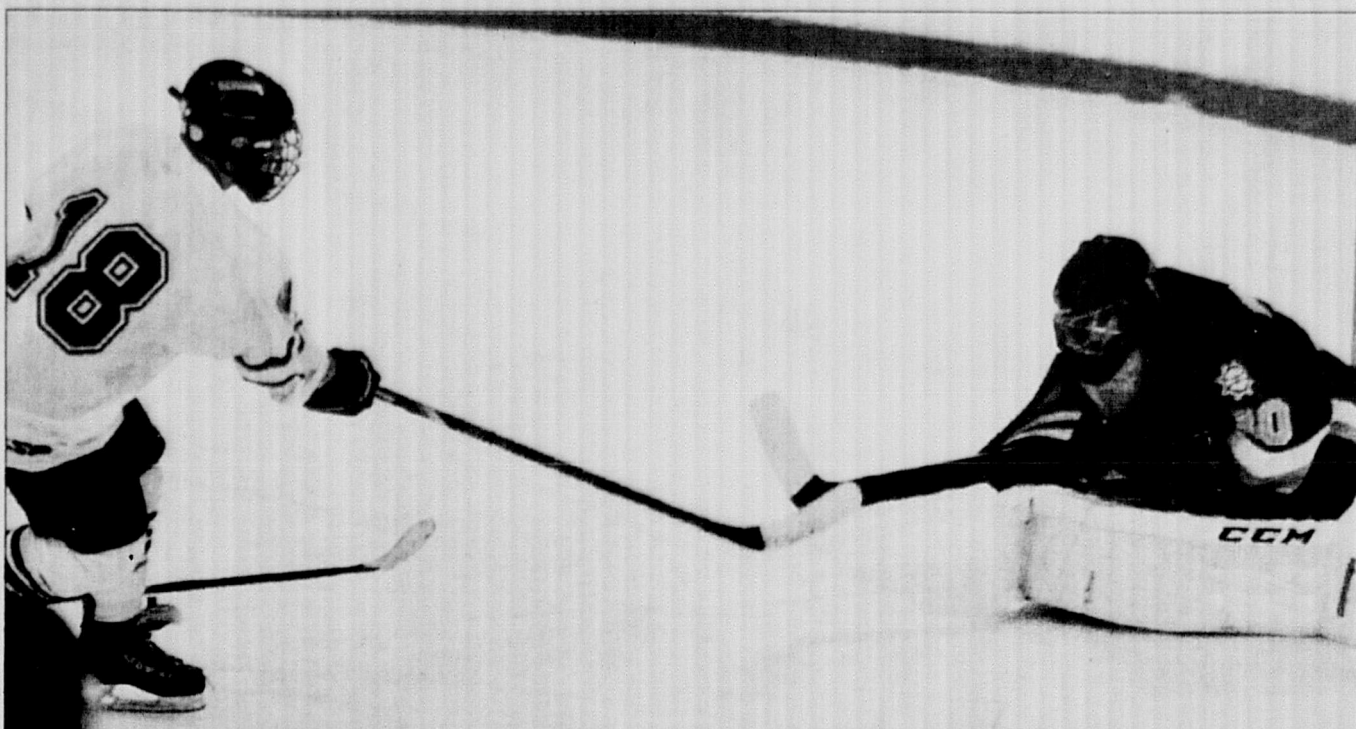
The new Skippers coach is trying to develop depth for his team as they roll into a busy first month of 2015.

He feels that it is a case of the numbers game as far as his team goes.

"We have had a lot of crazy games based on numbers, in trying to get the kids up to speed," Mahoney said. "Right now, we are playing two lines and four defensemen. Our goal is to get to three and six. Based on injuries we have not been able to get around to that."

"If you saw the third period of our game with Hanover, they applied the pressure and we were not able to hold them off. The reasons were that we had some fatigue and some of the players got a little bit lazy. It is something we have to fix."

Cohasset, which rallied from an early 2-0 deficit to



Cohasset goalie Liam McHugh makes a stop against Scituate earlier in the season. McHugh has played very well this season. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

take a 3-2 lead after two periods ran out of gas in the third period against Hanover. The Indians scored four times in the final period (including an empty-netter) to pull out a come from behind, 6-3 win.

Curtis Golden scored two goals and Kyle O'Brien had one for Cohasset in the game.

The Skippers have East Bridgewater on Saturday in a South Shore League game

and a non-league game at Cardinal Spellman on Wednesday. They also face East Longmeadow on Jan. 17, Pembroke for their second game with the Titans on Jan. 19 before they resume league play against Norwell on the 21st.

In their most recent action, the Skippers pulled off some late-game magic, and netted an equalizer with

nine seconds left to play in a 4-4 tie with a very motivated Rockland team, Tuesday.

"The Skippers entered the second period of Tuesday night's game tied at 1 against a gritty, emotionally-charged Rockland squad that was dealing with the tragic loss of classmate Patrick Sullivan," Mahoney wrote in a note to the Cohasset Mariner. "Six penalties and two

shorthanded goals later, Cohasset found itself trailing 3-1 at the end of the second period."

To that time, Cohasset's lone goal came in the first period on a goal by senior, Adam Benson, with help from fellow senior Jeff Powers.

The duo struck again in the third period with a goal that

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GYMNASTICS

Winning beginning

Gymnasts beat Carver is season-opener

The Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset/Norwell gymnastics team opened its season in style, beating Carver 121.15-119.7, Dec. 18 at Carver Middle School.

The team started on bars, freshman Danielle Picot started off with a 6.9 and the girls gradually improved from there.

Captain, Mimi Waters scored a 7.05, while Livvy Rober notched a 7.15.

Elizabeth Coletta scored 7.5, and Claire Brokbank

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Cohasset's Elizabeth Coletta walks the beam against Carver. COURTESY PHOTO

BOYS BASKETBALL

A running start

Boys open with seven straight wins

By Christian Cunnie

Special to the Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset Boys Basketball team, currently 7-0, has started out their season with a bang! Under the direction of Head Coach Bo Ruggiero, the team is set with several returning upperclassmen, as well as some new strong additions to the squad.

The team started their season off with a non-league game against Rising Tide Charter School and was able to secure a 72-26 win at home pretty handily. The starting line-up for the Skippers this year includes Seniors Harrison Martin, Teddy Craven, Patrick Federle, and Jack Hoffman

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Cohasset's Teddy Craven looks to get past his defender while driving to the basket during their game on Friday, January 2, 2015. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO/ROBIN CHAN

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

"Matt was an incredible player for us the entire season. His defensive prowess is legendary. He was by far our most intense player both in practice and on game day, and his performance clearly speaks for itself... We wouldn't have gotten to where we got without Matt. He battled injury in the middle of the season (a nasty hip pointer versus Hull) and never missed a game or practice."

Cohasset football coach Pete Alanasiv

"His off-season work continues to pay dividends in the regular season."

Wrestling coach Torin Sweeney

Matt earned this with a big-time performance in two sports. On the football field, his presence was a game-changer, and he helped power the Skippers' defense to a Super Bowl Championship. He followed football by winning the Most Outstanding Wrestler Award at the Scituate Wrestling Tournament just a week after the Super Bowl. He upped the ante at the end of the month, winning his division in the prestigious Marshfield Tournament the last week of December. The championship match was his 100th career victory.



Cohasset's Matt Froio
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YOUTH SOCCER

South Shore Select Sends four to Region 1 camp

Cohasset's Maeve Humphrey was one of the selections

By Paul Humphrey

South Shore Select Soccer Club is proud to announce that they sent four individuals across two age groups to attend Region 1 Soccer camps over the Christmas Break.

This is big news for the

club and a huge individual honor that has been bestowed on the girls by the US Youth Soccer organization. The girls were selected after approximately 1,000 of the top players from 13 states and 15 regions from Maine to Virginia (NY and PA each have 2 regions) took part in the year long training program, which culminated with an intensive four-day camp at the University of Rhode Island. Out of the 1000 girls

about 100 were chosen, 14 of them were from Massachusetts and four of those were from Select.

Maeve Humphrey (U13, Cohasset), Alyssa Fleming (U13, Marshfield), Phoebe Murphy (U12, Hingham), and Kate McNeil (U12, Marshfield) have all been selected.

Selected players from the U12 and U13 age groups traveled to Palmyra, PA on December 28, through

December 30 to train and compete against other girls in the region. From those top players, Alyssa Fleming of Marshfield was selected attend an ODP National Training event that starts in January 2015. The training events strengthen players' skills and prepare them for future competitions. For Fleming, they provide an amazing opportunity to earn a place on the U.S. National Team.

"I am so happy for Alyssa" said Humphrey "She is such a good player and I see how hard she works everyday. It is great that she could be identified as one of the top players."

Humphrey, will have another opportunity to be selected to join Fleming in April at another regional event. Murphy and McNeil are both teammates with Fleming on the Select U13 elite team and were selected

to the inaugural U12 Regional Team. All four girls play for South Shore Select in Hingham.

Amazingly, their coach, Liz Lima, has been their coach since they started with the club in elementary school.

Each of them can always say that they are members of a very exclusive group of soccer players. Congratulations girls and good luck we will look for you soon on a National Team.

HOCKEY

Big thanks



Members of the Cohasset hockey team pose with Shaws manager Paul Siciliano and a big check. Shaws donated \$500 to the program recently. From left, sophomore defenseman Michael Cohen, senior defenseman and captain, Mike Lund, senior captain Jeff Powers, junior defender Matt Legge, Siciliano, senior forward Adam Benson, freshman Michael Legge, who plays for the JV team. COURTESY PHOTO

GYMNASTICS

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came in first for the meet with a 7.9.

Cohasset/Norwell captain Emma Basso followed in second with a 7.6.

From there, the action turned to the vault where Brookbank had a big score of an 8.1. Elizabeth Coletta was right behind with an 8.0 and Basso was right on the pace with a 7.9.

The girls didn't fare quite as well in the next portion however.

"On the floor, our scores seemed lower than usual," coach Nancy Durkin said.

Picot scored a 6.8 and Brookbank scored 7.0.

Durkin said the team made up for the lower floor scores with strong finishes on the beam.

"We were much improved on the beam than times in the past," Durkin said. We only had one fall."

Basso had a 7.8, while Waters scored 7.9. Picot came in third with an 8.2 and Elizabeth Coletta tied for first with an 8.8.

Picot came in third in the All Around with a 29.4 and Livvy Rober followed with a 28.75.

The team will be back in action tonight at Mass. Gymnastics Center against Marshfield and Pembroke at 7 p.m., and follow that with an 8:45 p.m. start against Hingham at Head Over Heels.



Cohasset's Mimi Waters works the beam against Carver. COURTESY PHOTO

HOCKEY

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cut Rockland's lead to 3-2, and Golden tied the game 3-3 with help from Joslin in the third, while putting continuous pressure on the Bulldogs, but still fell behind late when A bouncing Rockland puck found the back of the net with 1:23 left in the game and appeared to seal a 4-3 victory for the Bulldogs.

The goal sent Cohasset's goalie out of the game, setting up the big finale for Cohasset.

With the goaltender pulled for an extra skater and an icing call on Rockland, the Skippers called a timeout with 14 seconds left in the game to script a final play. Benson won the draw and passed the puck back to defenseman Matt Legge.

Legge quickly unleashed a low, hard shot that made its way through traffic to the Rockland goalie. The initial save was made and the rebound landed on the stick of Michael Cohen who scored with 9 seconds left on the clock to tie the game at 4-4.

"The game was ugly at times, particularly in the second period when we couldn't stay out of the penalty box, but I like how the team responded in the third," Mahoney said. "We dictated the pace of the game and dominated play throughout the period. As a coaching staff, we challenged the team to play with more discipline and they answered with a great effort. Seniors Adam Benson and Jeff Powers were outstanding. They were sidelined early in the season with injuries and are starting to regain their form. Benson scored twice and Powers assisted on both. They produced quality scoring opportunities all night and were solid in our defensive zone."

The Rockland game provided a different look from the Hanover game, and gave the coaches a message of confidence that the team can get to where it needs to be.

"We know that we can get there," said Mahoney. "We have to tighten a few things up and don't let the other team dictate the pace of the game. We let Hanover control the game for an eight-minute stretch and that goes back to playing positional hockey."

"It is going to be no secret what we do. Everyone knows what everyone else does. We need to grow as a team and get our numbers up to speed so that we can get our line combinations right when we get into the league and face teams like Norwell, which is clearly the class of the league."

Cohasset's first venture into the South Shore League was against Abington and they got a goal from Cole Joslin with 7:30 left for a 2-1 win. Golden, who set up the Joslin goal also scored for the Skippers.

Golden scored two goals and assisted on another one as Cohasset broke a 2-2 tie after two periods and pulled out a 4-2 win over Pembroke. Jeff Powers and Joslin also scored for Cohasset in the game.

"Our goalie has been great," said Mahoney. "Hanover scored goals on second and third opportunities. Liam McHugh has been great when we have had breakdowns all year."

Mahoney is working the combinations, and has had some successes with that.

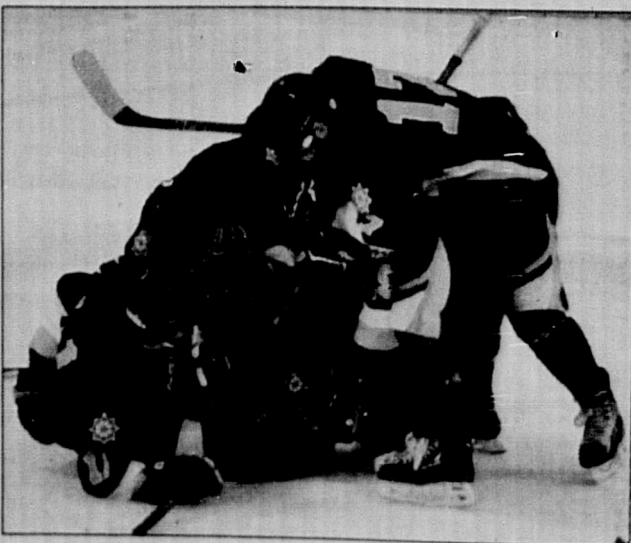
"Jeff Powers, our captain, we moved him down to the second line to give us some balance," he said. "He has been tremendous. We might not have scored on the power play, but he created some real nice chances. He is a leader and does some great things on the ice. Michael Cohen, a sophomore defenseman does some really nice things in handling the puck. He has the ability to create some good things for us offensively and is an asset to the defense."

The Skippers also handled Hull/Middleboro Saturday, shaking off a slow start on the way to a 7-1 win.

The Skippers found themselves in 1-0 hole after a sloppy first period against Hull/Middleboro, but came out flying in the second frame and rattled off six unanswered goals.

Golden continued his torrid scoring pace with 2 goals and 3 assists, giving him 14 points on the year to that point.

Joslin added 2 goals and 2 assists for Cohasset. Junior Kyle O'Brien, Sophomore Michael Cohen, and Freshman Kyle Ferreira each chipped in with solo goals. Junior backstop Liam McHugh earned the win for the Skippers with another game of poised, steady play.



Cohasset players celebrate a goal earlier in the season against Scituate. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG

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BASKETBALL

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along with Junior Alex Norton. With Alex Norton out with a minor injury for the first game, Freshman Chase Bomeisler (6'5") was able to get quality playing time as well as score 14 points in this home opening game. Between Hoffman and Bomeisler under the hoop, Cohasset was able to receive most offensive and defensive rebounds.

On December 20th, the Skippers battled the Carver Crusaders in the teams South Shore League opener pulling off a 67-45 win. Senior Harrison Martin truly shined in this game accruing a total of 26 points and shooting 85% from the free-throw line. With center Alex Norton back from injury, he was also able to pitch in with 19 points with several key rebounds. Senior Patrick Federle was also on fire under the boards with several rebounds, also adding in 10 points.

The Skippers then traveled to Abington on December 23rd to play one of their South Shore League rivals the Abington Green Wave, who has always put up a fight against Cohasset for many years. The first quarter ended with a whopping score of 6-3 Cohasset, which increased up to 17-12 at the half. Alex Norton secured 17 points, as the leading scorer. Jack Hoffman assisted with 9 points as well. The Abington crowd came out in full force, which created a challenge for the Skippers, but the team was able to pull off a 45-28 lead.

The Skippers traveled to Avon on December 27th to compete in a non-league matchup against the Panthers. The Skippers were shocked at the end of the first period, where the score was tied 14-14. After the first quarter, the Skippers were able to pull away and secure a 59-47 win. Alex Norton ended the game with an amazing 25 points as well as several key rebounds. Point guard Teddy Craven handled the ball with much care and was able to get the ball down the court with ease.

The Skippers then played Upper Cape Cod Regional on December 29th and pulled away with a 56-35 victory.

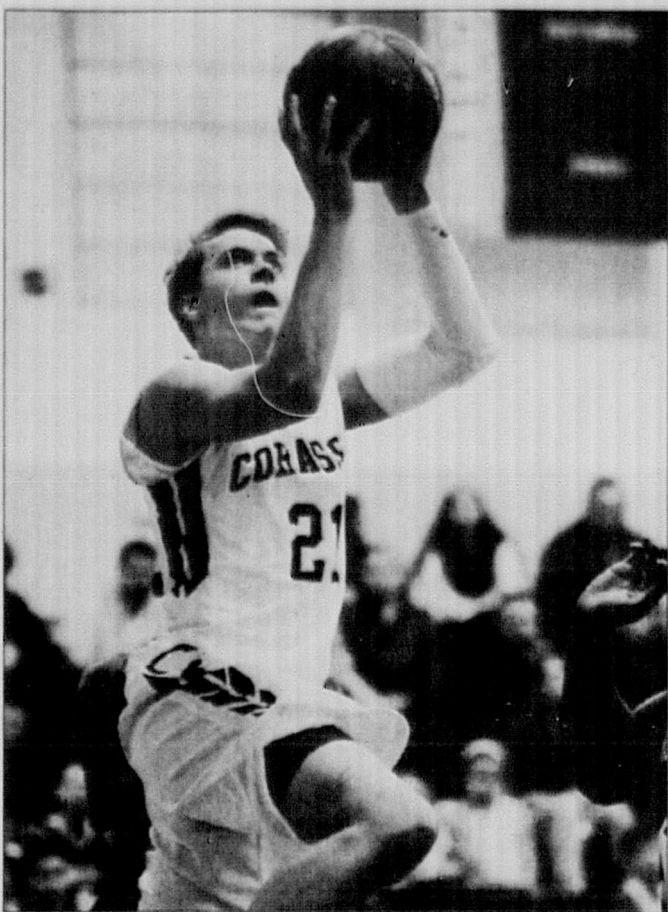
Cohasset followed that victory with a 71-56 win over Southeastern to improve to 6-0.

In their most recent action, the Skippers notched a 62-48 win over Monomoy at the SkipperDome.

Cohasset started quickly, taking a 24-14 lead into the second quarter.

Monomoy tried to scratch back in, and cut the advantage to 33-26 at the half. The game stayed pretty close through the third, with Cohasset leading 48-40 at the end of three.

The fourth quarter was all Cohasset, as they



Cohasset's Harrison Martin takes it strong to the rim during their game against Southeast Regional on Friday, January 2, 2015. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTOS/ROBIN CHAN



Cohasset's Alex Norton takes it strong to the rim for two points during third-quarter action of their win on Friday, January 2, 2015.

outgunned the visitors 14-8 to secure the 62-48 victory.

Alex Norton led the Skipper attack with 18 points, and Harrison Martin added 17 in the win.

With the continued effort of Cohasset's team, they pulled their record to an amazing 6-0! The season has turned out extremely well for Coach Ruggiero and the team. The tough practices and the dedication the players are putting in, have paid off. But Coach Bo Ruggiero stated, "we have several big games on the horizon and have to keep the pacing and effort at a high level".

This season has created several challenges for the team with several injuries.

Senior Jack Chamberlain will be out all season with an ACL injury and Senior Cole Morrison will be out for a majority of the season with a foot injury. These injuries have forced several younger players to step up and play at the varsity

level. Senior Capt. Harrison Martin pitched in, "losing teammates to injury has been tough, but the guys are stepping up and we are all prepared for the long haul. The more time we spend together as a team, the better we work as one."

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Cohasset's Alex Norton goes up for an up and under move for two points during third quarter action of their win on Friday, January 2, 2015.

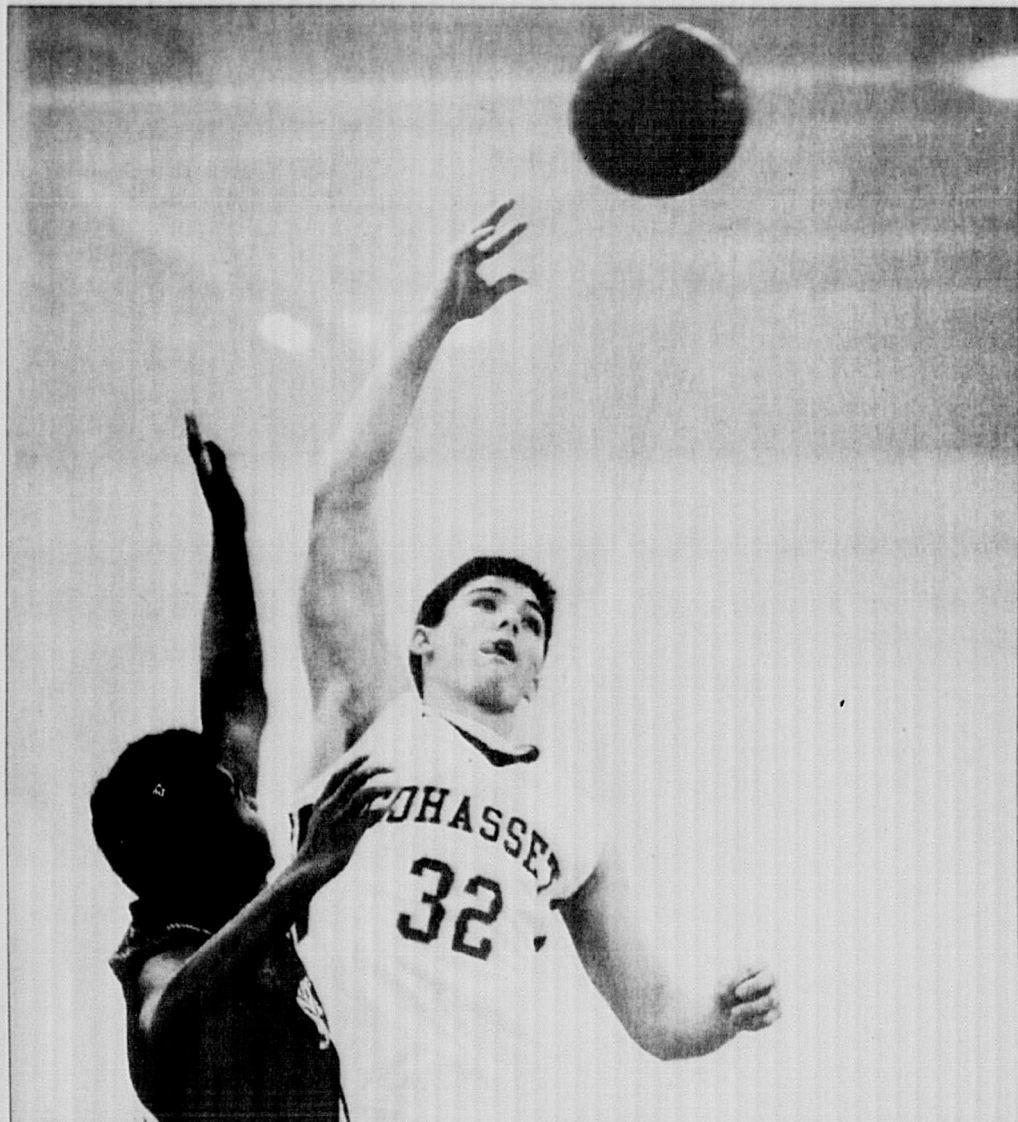
Cohasset Boys Varsity Basketball team as they continue with their season.

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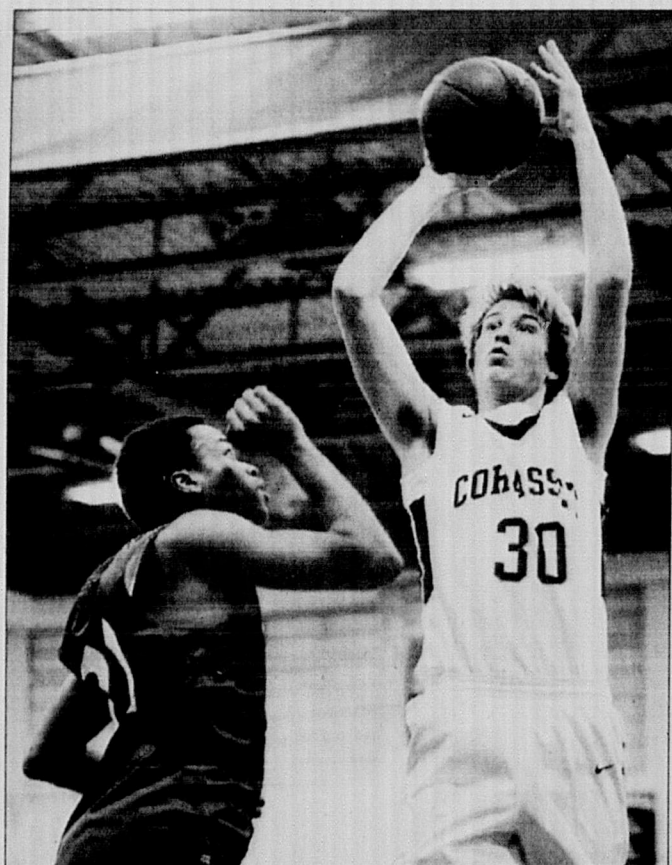
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Cohasset's Alex Norton converges on the loose ball during their game against Southeast Regional on Friday, January 2, 2015.



Cohasset's Alex Norton wins the tipoff at the start of their game against Southeast Regional on Friday, January 2, 2015.



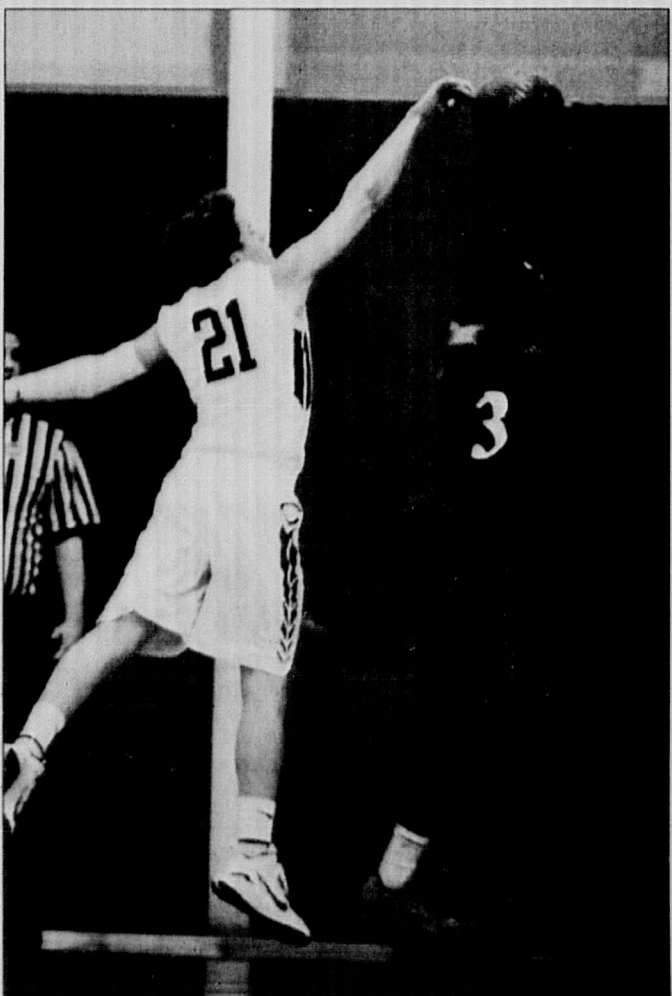
Cohasset's Chase Bomeisler rises up for two points during third quarter action of their game against Southeast Regional High School on Friday, January 2, 2015.



Cohasset's Harrison Martin skies to the basket for two points during third period action of their win over Southeast Regional on Friday, January 2, 2015.



Cohasset's Patrick Federle rises up for a jump shot from the top of the key during their game on Friday, January 2, 2015.



Cohasset's Harrison Martin goes up to block a shot by the Southeast Regional guard during first half action of their win on Friday, January 2, 2015.

DON'T MISS THIS

Cabaret show will be a crowd-pleaser

By Carol Britton Meyer
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In keeping with tradition, a crowd gathered for the 2015 Cabaret Meet the Directors party at Hingham Community Center on New Year's Day.

The event featured a preview of the upcoming show, solo and other auditions, and an opportunity to greet old Cabaret friends and to welcome newcomers.

The annual Cabaret, now in its 53rd year, is HCC's main fundraiser and attracts performers from Hingham and the surrounding area.

This year's theme is "Where in the world is ... Cabaret?" Show dates are Jan. 29, 30, and 31, with performances taking place in the roomy Hingham Armory, which will be transformed into a festive "theater" complete with colorful sets and decorative touches.

This year's production will celebrate the world's various cultures and events through song and dance.

The show will feature solo, duet, chorus, and dance numbers. There's a place for everyone who wishes to participate, whether veteran performers or new faces.

There's a spirit of camaraderie among cast members. Greg Hall, the creator of Cabaret, is looking forward to performing for the 53rd time and renewing old friendships. "Cabaret is my wife's (Fran) and my gift to Hingham, because we brought it here," he said before the auditions began. "She gets a lot of the credit; otherwise she takes cash!" he quipped.

International dinner

In keeping with this year's international theme, Friday night's event will feature a first-time-ever family-style dining experience with Italian, Greek, and French offerings – lasagna, moussaka, coq au vin respectively, with all the fixings, catered by Michael Aprea, complete with table settings, plates, napkins, and utensils. (On the other nights, the audience brings its own tasty food, beverages, and tableware.)

The dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tables of 10 are available for \$400, including dinner and the show, one choice per table.

"This will hopefully become a tradition," said Jinnie Walsh, who co-chairs the show with Lorri Costello.

The fast-moving Cabaret, a fun way to chase away the wintertime blues, is produced by an in-house creative team that starts planning for the next show the previous June.

Walsh and Costello have both been involved with Cabaret for many years and always greet Cabaret enthusiasts with a big smile, a preview of the show, and lots of laughs at the annual Meet the Directors party.

Costello gave a rundown of this year's show, which will take the audience around the world with entertaining songs from various cultures, including France, Germany, Egypt, England, Africa, and Saudi Arabia. The men's chorus number will have an Istanbul theme.

Performers will interact with the audience during the opening medley.

Music key

"The music is one of the most important aspects of the show," Costello said.

She thanked the crowd, which included many veteran performers, "for coming out every year and practicing all month long."

Cabaret photographer/performer George Loring, who first began taking photos of the event in 1988, opened the auditions.

Decked out in a red-and-white striped stocking cap



Greg Hall of Hingham, 91 years young, dances an Irish themed jig in his audition for the annual Hingham Cabaret. Hall has been with this show from the very beginning, which goes back 53 years. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



Nicole Boyd-Webster of Rockland performs a song for the audience at the Hingham Community Center during auditions for the Annual Cabaret. Her rendition brought the house down, and the audience insisted on an encore. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



John DeFranco of Weymouth belts out a tune during his audition at the Hingham Community Center for the annual Hingham Cabaret. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



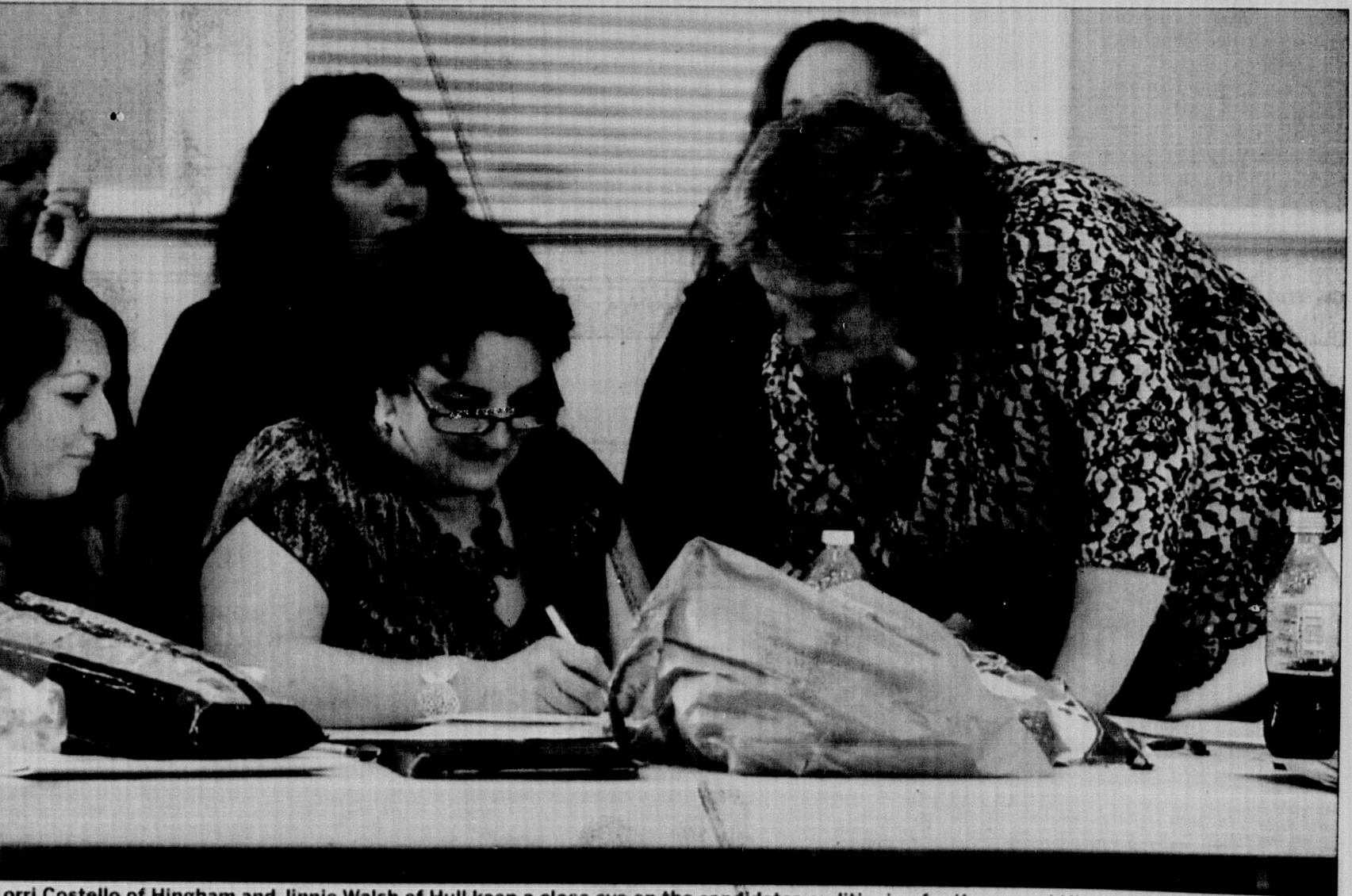
Nichole Boyd-Webster of Rockland gets an enthusiastic reception from Ann Berman of Hull and Hingham Cabaret choreographer Liz Tronni of Hingham. Nichole electrified the audience with her singing at the auditions for the annual Hingham Cabaret. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



Rhoda Horgan and Liz Tronni, both of Hingham, confer while watching audition candidates for the annual Hingham Cabaret at the town Community Center. The auditions drew a large group of talented people on New Year's Day. Tronni is also one of the show's choreographers. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



Christine Comeau of West Bridgewater sings "Let It Be" while Hull's Jeff Williams helps on piano at the auditions for the annual Hingham Cabaret. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS



Lorri Costello of Hingham and Jinnie Walsh of Hull keep a close eye on the candidates auditioning for the annual Hingham Cabaret at the Hingham Community Center. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/MARK JARRET CHAVOUS

and a big grin, he belted out part of the song, "I'm a Cowboy!" Before he started singing, Loring quipped, "It's a long song, so I'm only gonna do the first 10 minutes!"

Hall, dressed in a huge glittery green top hat and red and blue argyle stockings, pranced around the makeshift stage as part of a trio performing

"McNamara's Band."

Patron tickets for this cabaret-style show will be available Thursday, Jan. 8, from 7 to 10 a.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. and from 9 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, at the Community Center, 70 South St., Hingham. This is an opportunity to buy the "best seats in the house."

One patron must be

present to purchase tickets for two tables. Each table requires a paid patron (\$25, patron; \$35, individual member and patron; \$45, family membership and patron). Patrons line up early. Jeanne Murphy has served as patron chairman for 23 years.

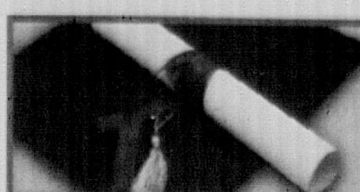
Tickets go on sale to the general public Monday, Jan. 12, at 9 a.m.

Ticket sales cover the cost of the show. Raffle ticket and program advertisement sales are therefore key to the fund-raising effort. Show programs, featuring photos of the lively cast taken by Loring, are collectors' items among Cabaret fans.

Performers practice for the entire month of January, leading up

to the "Super Sunday" all-day dress rehearsal at the armory followed by the actual performances, which delight spectators with something new and exciting every year.

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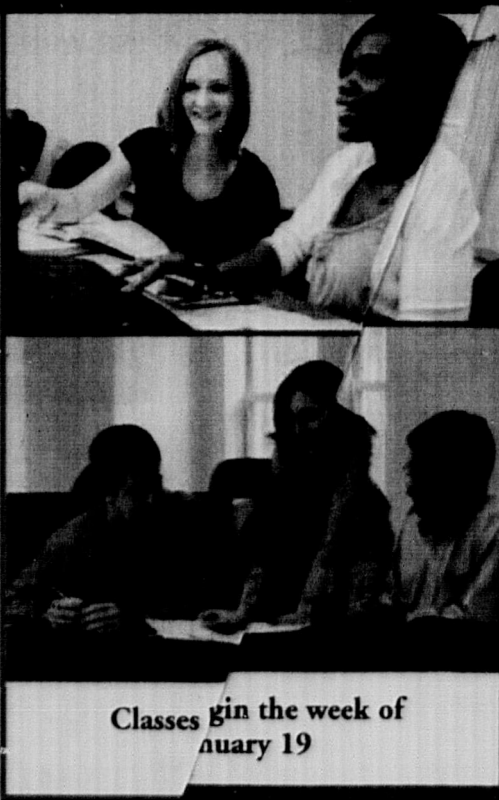
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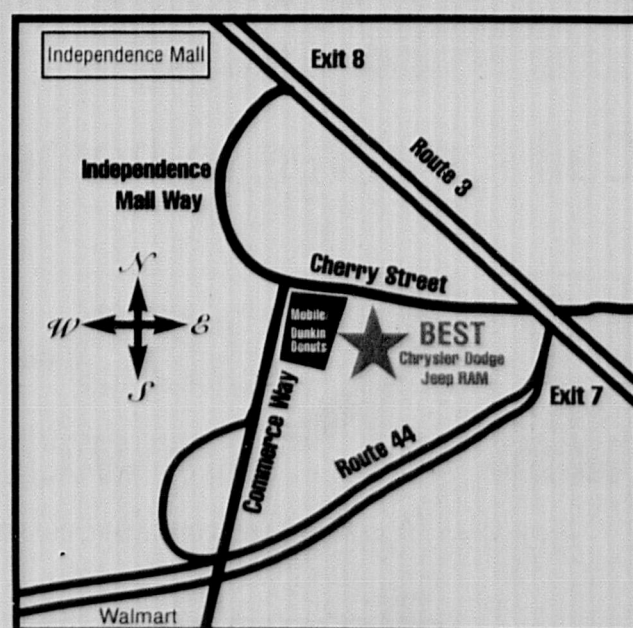


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Come meet a pretty princess

By Tammy Hatch

Meet Tori, a shy 6-month-old girl who came to us as a stray. Although she lived outdoors, she's as pretty as little Princess. She takes tremendous pride in her appearance and it shows. On entering the room Tori can usually be found sitting atop a fuzzy blanket or comfy pillow grooming herself and she won't pay any attention to you until she's cleaned every inch of her soft black coat.

Tori is very sweet and loving but also modest — she won't run to the door to greet you or beg you for attention when you walk into the room, rather she will sit patiently and wait for you to approach her. Once you do, she will show her appreciation for your affection by purring and rolling over for a belly scratch.

While Tori has a calm temperament, she will show her rambunctious side if the petting or playing gets a little too rough. Tori shines when she has a warm lap to snuggle in and will make a wonderful companion cat. She gets along fine with other cats and would probably also not mind living with a friendly dog, but would not likely be happy in a home with small children.

This little Princess deserves to be in a home. Won't you come meet her?

HSAR is located at 50 L Street in Hull. We are open to the public



Tori takes tremendous pride in her appearance and it shows. COURTESY PHOTO

Monday nights from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 2 to 3 p.m. Special appointments can also be made by calling our Adoption Coordinator, Judy, at 781-534-4902. Visit us at www.hsar.org or "Like" us on Facebook. 2015 Kittendales calendars are still available. They can be purchased on-line, at the shelter during open hours or at Toast Restaurant in Hull. The cost is \$20.

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The Animal Rescue League's Spay Waggin will be at the Shelter

Tori shines when she has a warm lap to snuggle in and will make a wonderful companion cat.

in February (date to be announced). If you'd like to reserve a spot to spay/neuter your cat, please call the Shelter at 781-925-3121 or email us at hsar@verizon.net. The cost is \$100.

—Tammy Hatch is a Volunteer and Board Member at Hull Seaside Animal Rescue.

EVENT PREVIEW

Cocktail party goes back in time

Recently restored garments curated from the society's extensive textile collection have taken center stage at the Pratt Building. Be among the first to see the Cohasset Historical Society's new exhibit celebrating the changing times and fashions in the 1910s and 1920s.

What: A cocktail party with the spirit of the Roaring '20s. See the new exhibit featuring one-of-a-kind vintage dresses, many of them once worn by Cohasset socialites.

When: Saturday, Jan. 10, 6 to 9 p.m.

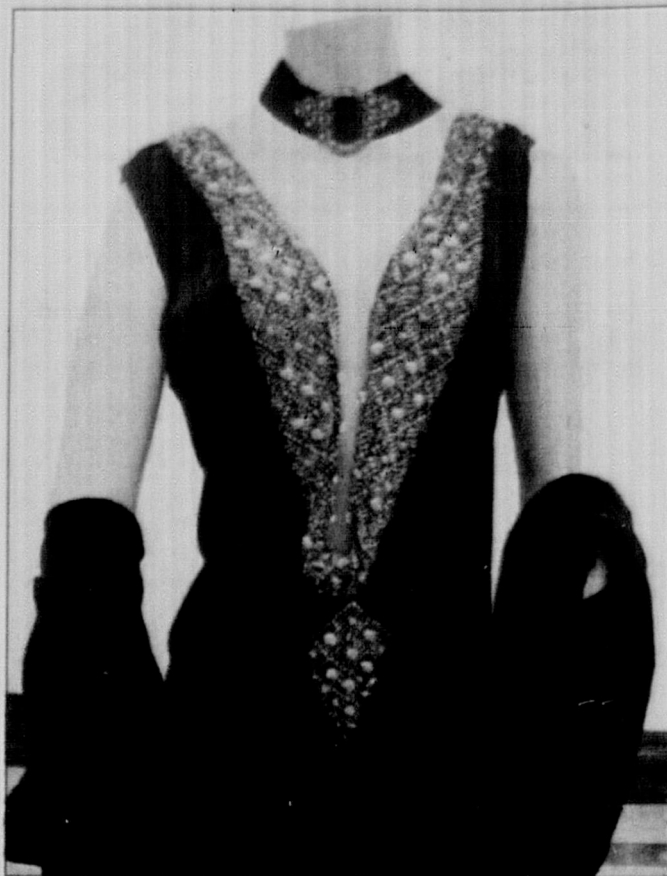
Where: The Cohasset Historical Society headquarters in the Pratt Building, 106 South Main Street.

Drink: Sip on a French 75, or a glass of French red — exactly what would have been served at a Cohasset soiree in the 1920s.

Dress: While the historic garments will be the stars of the show, revelers are encouraged (but not required) to don period dress.

More historic touches: A live band will play music from the era and hors d'oeuvres will be passed by servers wearing white gloves.

Tickets: Tickets are still available, but will not be sold at the door. Call the Historical Society at 781-383-1434 or buy online at cohassethistoricalsociety.org. Tickets



One of the many stunning dresses on display in the Cohasset Historical Society's latest exhibit. COURTESY PHOTO

are \$130 per person.

Why go: All year long the Cohasset Historical Society finds ways to preserve and present the history of Cohasset. As a nonprofit organization, it depends on donations and fundraising

events, like this one, to sustain its efforts to protect the town's past.

See the exhibit: Stop by the Pratt Building (106 South Main Street) to see the exhibit Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

OSGOOD SCHOOL

Preschool and kindergarten registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2015-2016 school years will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2015. Children who turn age 5

on or before Sept. 1, 2015 are eligible. Registration will be at the Osgood School daily from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A \$300 deposit will be required for the full day program. Parents are encouraged to register early to facilitate planning

for programs; a birth certificate and proof of residency are required for kindergartners in order to register. Call the school office at 781-383-6117 if you have any questions.

Preschool registration for the 2015-2016 year begins on Tuesday, Jan. 20. Children who turn 3 or 4 by Sept. 1, 2015, are eligible to register for the Osgood Preschool Program, which is held four half days per week (Monday through Thursday.) Entrance to the preschool program is based on a lottery system. Registration applications should be returned to the Osgood School no later than Friday, Feb. 6. The lottery will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 10, and parents will be notified immediately following. A \$200 deposit will be required to hold a space for those selected. A birth certificate and proof of residency must accompany applications.

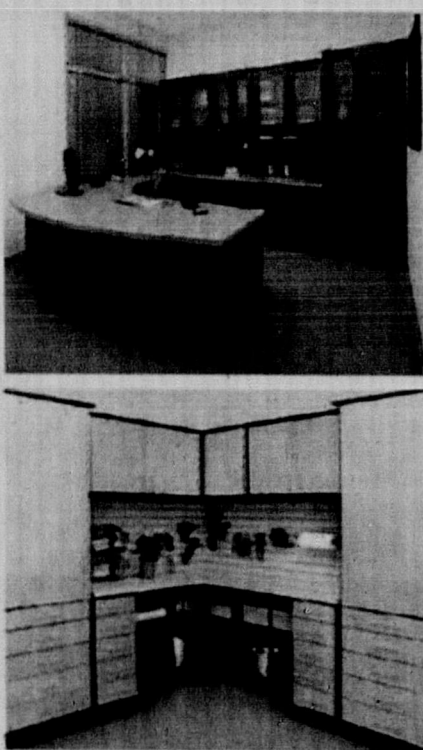
A Preschool Open House for parents will be held at the Osgood School on Friday, Feb. 6, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Parents will have an opportunity to meet preschool teachers and support staff and to view the classrooms and facilities. Call the school office at 781-383-6117 if you have any questions.

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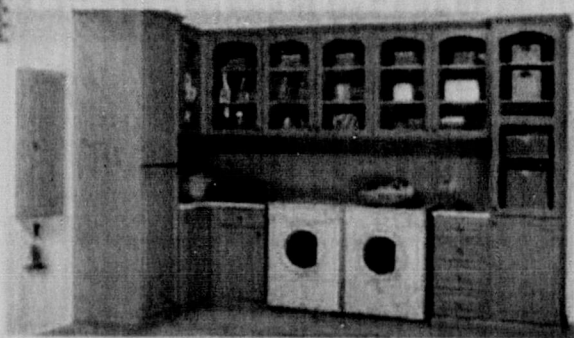
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Monday, Dec. 29

12:05 a.m. **Atlantic Ave.**, lockout. Resident is locked out of her house, keys are not working. Resident's key worked as company pulled up. All units clear.

4:39 a.m. **Jerusalem Road**, suspicious vehicle. Caller reports there is a SUV that has been circling the neighborhood. Live vehicle looking for address.

6:43 a.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Stop & Shop gas station, erratic motor vehicle operation. White pickup on 3A heading north. Checked length of 3A and side lots with no results.

7:29 a.m. **Wheelwright Farm**, medical aid.

9:10 a.m. **Sohier St.**, Deer Hill School, traffic enforcement.

9:12 a.m. **Sohier St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

9:53 a.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Whitney Woods, animal call. Five chickens on Bancroft Trail. Appear to be domesticated chickens and she is afraid something will eat them.

1:16 p.m. **Buttonwood Lane**, medical aid.

1:24 p.m. **Beechwood St.**, erratic motor vehicle operation. Caller reports motor vehicle crossing the double yellow line.

2:03 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, medical aid. Caller reports there is a male in front of her residence and they believe he is intoxicated. Just may have crossed the street and left headed toward Starbucks, male is staggering. Just passed Fox Run, just passed Cohasset Imports. Male is reporting a back injury. Scituate Rescue 1 transporting BLS to SSH.

2:40 p.m. **Riverview Drive**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

3 p.m. **King St.**, directed patrol.

7:48 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Curtis Liquors, motor vehicle crash. Caller reports he backed up into a vehicle a few minutes ago. Caller is in a 2008 Toyota Tacoma. Other car is a gray Honda. Paper exchange only.

Tuesday, Dec. 30

8:06 a.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, MBTA Cohasset Station, animal call. Dog left in a light blue Subaru Outback. Dog is howling, unknown how long it has been there. Nothing showing in lot.

10:22 a.m. **Fairoaks Lane**, larceny report. Walk-in reports larceny back in November.

11:29 a.m. **S. Main and Summer streets**, directed patrol.

11:29 a.m. **Beechwood and S. Main streets**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

11:53 a.m. **S. Main St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

2:04 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, suspicious vehicle. Caller at the doctor's office and a woman came into Quest Diagnostics 5-10 minutes ago and said I left my baby in the car. She was in the office for about 10 minutes. Vehicle has left the scene and the caller is unsure of direction of travel. Checked the area.

2:58 p.m. **S. Main St.**, animal call. Caller reports finding a white and gray medium-size sheepdog at his home, unsure who owns it.

3:03 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Bank of America, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

5:10 p.m. **S. Main St.**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

7:35 p.m. **Pond St.**, Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School, larceny report related to a series of thefts at location.

11:48 p.m. **Summer St.**, animal call. Caller reports their neighbor's dog got hit by a car and ran to the owner's yard. Dog is fine.

Wednesday, Dec. 31

2:07 a.m. **S. Main St.**, suspicious person. Across from Fred's Garage caller

reports a homeless looking male walking around. Concerned for well being due to weather. Officer reports it is a woman who stays at the elderly housing.

4:26 a.m. **Avalon Drive**, medical aid.

7:17 a.m. **Beechwood St. and Wheelwright Farm**, animal call. Deer hit by a car, trying to walk around. Deer found off to the side in the woods, has been taken care of.

7:20 a.m. **Ripley Road**, road rage, white Tahoe.

3:15 p.m. **Jerusalem Road**, DPW. Sander for the 600 block of Jerusalem Road; DPW responding.

3:59 p.m. **N. Main St.**, South Shore Community Center, inside odor of gas. Requests National Grid and gas inspector to scene. Companies have localized problem to kitchen and shut off the gas to stove. Gas inspector and contract plumber are on site. National Grid on scene.

5:03 p.m. **King St.**, Sunrise, medical aid.

5:32 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, medical aid.

5:35 p.m. **Summer St.**, American Legion Post, property found. They have a jacket from an incident last Saturday and they would like to speak to an officer. Looking for a contact number for the owner of the jacket.

6:29 p.m. **Hobart Lane**, medical aid.

9:24 p.m. **Forest Ave. and Heather Drive**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

Thursday, Jan. 1

12:26 a.m. **Hammond Ave.**, disturbance, fight going on. Appears to be eight or nine people fighting without shirts on, yelling, also looks to be about 40-50 people partying in the house, bunch of people in roadway, people running through the woods. Requests Scituate Police Department to respond. Scituate en route. Two in custody. One party transported by Fire for facial injury. House has been cleared, all occupants have been picked up by parents. Arrested: James Lawless, 19, of 59 B St., Hull; assault and battery. Arrested: Andrei Greenfield, 19, of 20 Hammond Ave.; keeping a noisy and disorderly house. Arrested: Ivan Greenfield, 20, of 20 Hammond Ave.; warrant out of Plymouth District Court for motor vehicle offenses.

12:47 a.m. **Hammond Ave.**, past assault and battery, arrest. Female caller reports her and her boyfriend were assaulted on her front lawn.

1:39 a.m. **North River Road**, Scituate, K9. Track on a party who fled on Scituate Police Department.

1:56 a.m. **Hammond Ave.**, disturbance. Caller reports there are approximately six to 12 people in the street being loud. One male in protective custody en route to station.

3:02 a.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters, medical aid. Request fire for an evaluation for prisoner with eye injury. Was checked out by medics.

10:29 a.m. **Jerusalem Road and Linden Drive**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

12:12 p.m. **Sohier St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

1:33 p.m. **Forest Ave.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

2:23 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

2:26 p.m. **Atlantic Ave.**, Sandy Beach, property lost. Female reports losing her car keys and house keys at the beach parking lot. There are also keys to Cohasset High School on ring as she is a teacher. Does not need to see an officer, would just like it logged. Keys have been located.

3:10 p.m. **Forest Ave.**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

5:54 p.m. **Pleasant St.**, medical aid.

6:06 p.m. **Nichols Road**, animal call. Caller reports she has a bat in her house and requests police assistance. Bat is now out of the house.

6:09 p.m. **Doane St.**, animal call. Black Lab in the neighborhood, collar on but no tags.

7:46 p.m. **Sohier St.**, South Shore Music Circus, traffic enforcement.

8:03 p.m. **Ripley Road and Sohier St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

9:32 p.m. **Bay View Drive**, disturbance. Caller reports his neighbors are banging on the walls, screaming, hollering. Neighbors were watching football, they were advised to turn the TV down.

Friday, Jan. 2

1:38 a.m. **Hammond Ave.**, Officer reports right hand injury, will seek medical on own.

1:54 a.m. **Old Pasture Road**, CO alarm. Caller reports CO alarms have been going off for 15 minutes, unknown why. Negative symptoms, house evacuated. House vented, may have been caused by a closed fire pit flow.

10:53 a.m. **S. Main St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

11:33 a.m. **Bow St. and Jerusalem Road**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

2:02 p.m. **S. Main St.**, motor vehicle stop, vehicle stored. Scituate Collision tow on scene.

3:21 p.m. **Beechwood St. and Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, motor vehicle stop; verbal warning.

3:55 p.m. **Forest Ave. and Jerusalem Road**, hit-and-run motor vehicle crash. Caller reports being involved in a hit-and-run. On call back female stated the accident occurred in Cohasset on the Hull/Cohasset line. Will receive a summons.

4:12 p.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters, well being check. From station requesting well being check on a walk-in to lobby.

4:30 p.m. **King St.**, Sunrise, medical aid.

4:44 p.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, animal call. Caller struck a deer on 3A by Mendel Road, deer is in the roadway. Mass Highway notified for deer. Mass Highway has deer. Scituate Collision has the vehicle. Operator being shuttled to Gulf Station to await ride.

7 p.m. **Sohier St.**, suspicious vehicle. Red Ford Expedition parked out front, looks like they are smoking something.

7:05 p.m. **Hull St.**, medical aid.

7:43 p.m. **Church St.**, summons. Attempting to serve paperwork. Clear, served in hand.

8:39 p.m. **S. Main and Summer streets**, motor

vehicle stop; citation issued.

10:13 p.m. **Margin St.**, well being check.

Saturday, Jan. 3

8:17 a.m. **Hemlock Way**, animal call. Medium-size white dog, brown spot, loose in the area.

9:23 a.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Stop & Shop, traffic hazard. North-bound green traffic light is out. Mass Highway notified.

9:25 a.m. **Forest Ave.**, directed patrol.

10:35 a.m. **Beechwood St.**, motor vehicle stop; citation issued.

10:55 a.m. **Church St.**, medical aid.

11:03 a.m. **King St.**, community service.

12:47 p.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters, notification. Cohasset desk reports Hanover is looking for motor vehicle involved in an incident in their town. Requests stop and hold.

6:35 p.m. **Spring St.**, power outage. Caller reports the power appears to be out on the street. National Grid contacted, they are aware and working on the outage. Ten houses in the area affected.

7:05 p.m. **Elm St.**, Police Headquarters. DPW called to

plow and sand the town.

8:30 p.m. **Forest Ave. and Jerusalem Road**, motor vehicle crash. Two vehicles slid into each other. First car slid into wall, then second vehicle slid into them. DPW notified. Wrecker is on scene.

9:07 p.m. **Forest Ave. and Jerusalem Road**, motor vehicle crash. Jeep had an accident, slid into seawall.

Sunday, Jan. 4

11:48 a.m. **Chief Justice Cushing Hwy.**, Shaw's, medical aid. A 16-month-old baby having a seizure. Father reports that she is not in the store but in a black Ford Explorer parked by the drive through at Walgreens. ALS to SSH.

1:03 p.m. **Avalon Drive**, medical aid.

1:23 p.m. **Beechwood St.**, landlord/tenant. Caller would like an officer to meet him at the property because they are building an ice skating rink and he told them that they could not do this.

1:51 p.m. **Haystack Lane**, open door. Appears as if there was a worker on scene who didn't secure the door, nothing is out of place.

6:25 p.m. **Jerusalem Road**, medical aid.

7:42 p.m. **Aaron River Road**, medical aid.

OBITUARIES

Obituaries appearing in this section are paid for and written by families, often through the services of a funeral director.

Gordon E. Flint



Gordon E. Flint

COHASSET — Gordon Edwin Flint, age 91, the Cohasset Town Treasurer and tax collector for thirty three years, passed away December 25, 2014, in the presence of his loving family, at the Pat Roche Hospice Home in Hingham, after a brief illness.

A Mayflower descendant, Mr. Flint was born in Cohasset, Sept. 29, 1923, to Emma (Keegan) and George Willard Flint. A true son of Cohasset, he spent his summers at Sandy Beach and his winters skating on Lily Pond.

Except for his wartime service, Gordon resided in Cohasset his entire life. He was the President of the Class of 1942 at Cohasset High School where he lettered in football, hockey, and baseball. In his senior year, the football team played a memorable game on Nantucket and enjoyed staying with the players in their homes.

At his high school graduation, he was the first recipient of a new award, the Youth Fund Scholarship, a \$100 Defense Bond, given in recognition of scholarship, character, and community activity.

He continued his love of hockey by playing for many years in the South Shore and Old Colony Hockey Leagues at the former Weymouth Skating Club.

As a youth, he played at the Hingham Skating Club on the Eagles, a team of Cohasset and Scituate boys coached by Reverend Creelman, the former pastor of the First Baptist Church in No. Scituate.

Mr. Flint attended Northeastern University, but World War II intervened. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1943 and was assigned to the 1st Battalion, Second Regiment of the Second Marine Division, which had previously made history at Guadalcanal and Tarawa.

He was sent to the South Pacific and on June 16, 1944, he landed on the Island of Saipan, and was immediately wounded in action by the Japanese. He recuperated for a year in Naval hospitals in Hawaii and California and received the Purple Heart and the Combat Action Ribbon for his service. He was in San Diego, preparing for the invasion of Japan in a newly formed Marine Corps division when the war ended.

After the war, Mr. Flint returned to Cohasset and attended the Bryant and Stratton School, earning an accounting degree. In 1947, he was elected to the Cohasset School Committee at the age of 23, the youngest person elected to that position in the history of the town. He was a member of the building committee that oversaw the construction of the new Cohasset High School.

Mr. Flint was employed at Remick's Department Store in Quincy as an accountant, but in 1951 he was appointed tax collector for the town of Cohasset. It was to become his lifelong position, one that eventually merged with the office of the town treasurer.

Mr. Flint was never opposed for re-election to office. During his tenure, he was well known to the people of the Cohasset for his kindness, winnisms, and devotion to his home town.

Mr. Flint also served as Director of Veteran Affairs for the town for many years, and he maintained a part-time tax and bookkeeping practice well into his eighties.

A lifelong golfer, Mr. Flint first learned the game at Hatherly Country Club in North Scituate where he caddied as a young boy, riding his bike to the club from Cohasset. He later was a member for many years. He was shooting his age a number of times well into his seventies.

Mr. Flint was a trustee of the Cohasset Savings Bank and member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He volunteered for FISH of Cohasset and was the treasurer and auditor of the Cohasset Historical Society and Second Congregational Church of Cohasset for many years.

He was a proud member of the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans Assoc., and he also served as the first president of the Cohasset Sportsman Association.

Mr. Flint leaves his beloved wife of 68 years, Louise A. (Lund) Flint, whom he married on June 9, 1946 in Hingham; three children, Gordon A. Flint and his wife Patricia of Wilton, Maine, Cheryl A. Libby and her husband Kevin of Falmouth, Maine, and Mark D. Flint and his wife Jeanne of Hull. He also leaves five grandchildren, Andrew G. Flint of Larkspur, Calif., Peter L. Flint of Crested Butte, Colo., Sarah S. Hamner of Buena Vista, Colo., Bridget K. Libby of Falmouth, Maine, and Caroline L. Libby of Portland, Ore.; and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held January 3, at 1 p.m. in the Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset Common.

Visiting hours were held January 2, from 4 to 8 in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 1 Summer St. (across from St. Anthony Church), Cohasset. Interment Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

Donations may be made to the Hospice of the South Shore, 30 Reservoir Park Dr., Rockland, MA 02370, or the Norwell VNA & Hospice for the benefit of the Pat Roche Hospice Home, 120 Longwater Drive, Norwell, MA 02061 or to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758541, Topeka, KS 66675.

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Jeannette B. Massa

POMPAN BEACH, Fla. — Jeannette B. (Minyon) Massa, age 93, of Pompano Beach, Fla., formerly of Cohasset, Mass., passed away peacefully December 30, 2014.

Wife of the late Ernest A. Massa Sr., Mrs. Massa is survived by her loving sons, Ernest A. Massa Jr. and wife Joanne of Plymouth, Mass., and Ronald A. Massa Sr. and wife Patricia of Scituate, Mass. She leaves her brother, Anthony Minyon of Audubon, N.J.; her five adoring grandchildren; twelve loving great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral was held from the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 160 So. Main St. (across

from St. Anthony Church), Cohasset, Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 9 a.m., followed by Mass celebrated 10 a.m. in St. Anthony Church, Cohasset. Visiting hours Monday, Jan. 5, from 4-7 p.m. in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset. Interment Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

Donations to honor Jeannette may be made to St. Anthony Church, 10 Summer St., Cohasset, MA 02025, or to a charity of one's choice.

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Robert W. Figueiredo



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COHASSET — Robert W. Figueiredo, age 85, of Cohasset, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014.

Beloved husband of 58 years to Margaret R. (Damon), he was the devoted father of Paul and Debbie of Cohasset, and Ellen Young and Jim of Richmond, Vt.; brother of Mary Maree of Bridgewater and the late Donald, Ralph, and Mickey all of Cohasset; cherished grandfather of Greg, Lisa, Christina and Nicholas; great-grandfather of Tatum and Bennett.

Born and raised in Cohasset, Mr. Figueiredo was a lobsterman out of Cohasset Harbor for over 70 years.

He was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division of the U.S. Army, 508th Regimental Combat Team, serving in Korea.

Visiting hours were held Saturday, January 3, 2015, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 160 So.

Main St. (across from St. Anthony Church), Cohasset. A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015, at 12 p.m. in St. Anthony Church, Cohasset. Interment with military honors in Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

Donations to honor Mr. Figueiredo may be made to the South Shore Hospital Charitable Foundation, Dialysis Center, 55 Fogg Rd., So. Weymouth, MA 02190, please write "In Memory of Robert Figueiredo" in the memo.

For an online guest book, please visit www.mcnamara-sparrell.com.

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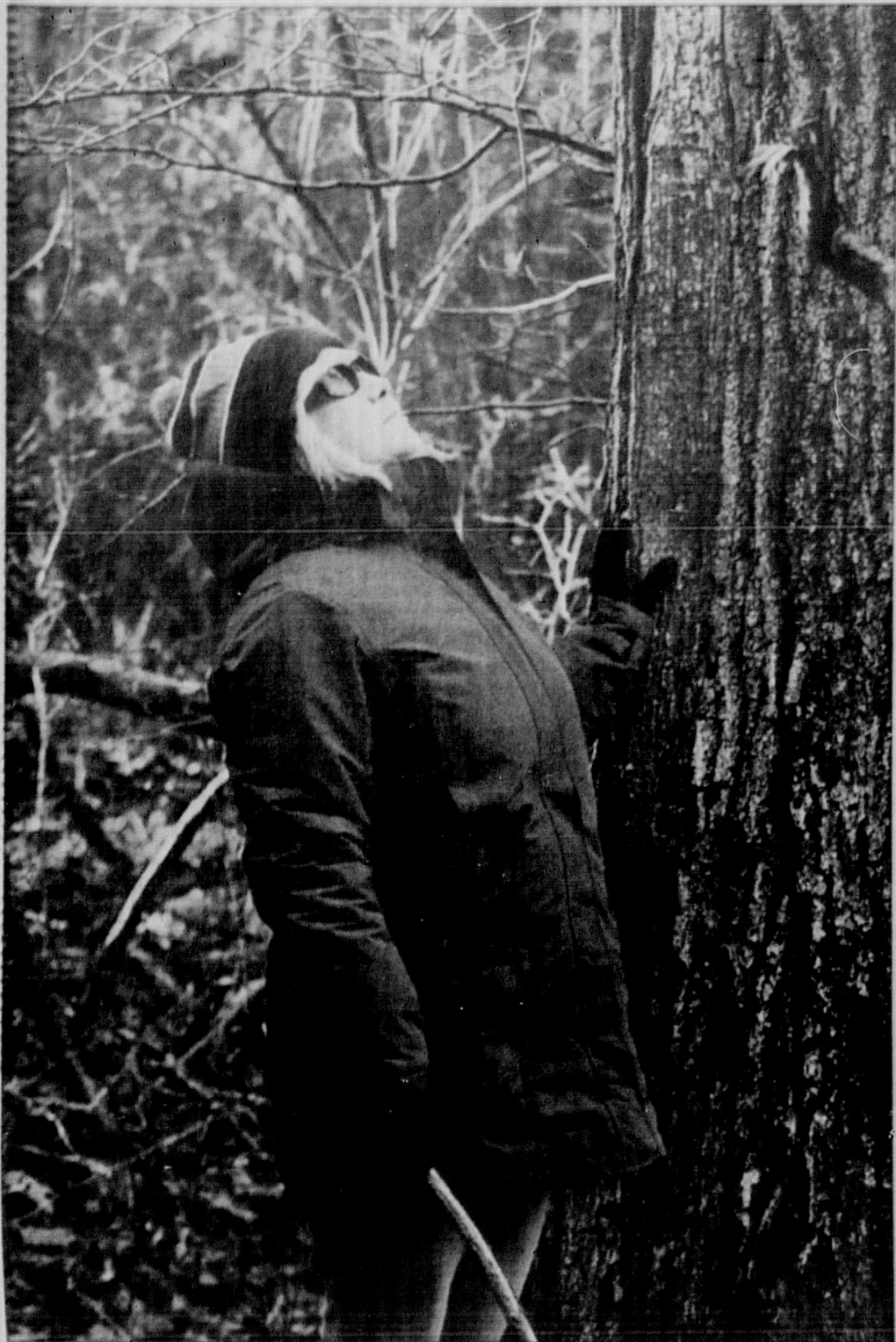
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New Year's Walk

A group of hardy individuals celebrated the New Year with the New Year's Day Walk at Holly Hill Farm. This walk has become an annual tradition for many families. Naturalist Steve Ivas provided a guided tour along the trails. Executive director, Cindy Prentice provided her locally famous hot chocolate for all.



Maureen Hanisan of Weymouth examines an oak tree during the annual New Year's Day Walk on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015 on the nature trails at Holly Hill Farm.



Naturalist Steve Ivas of Norwell talks during a guided tour of the trails behind Holly Hill Farm during the annual New Year's Day Walk on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015.



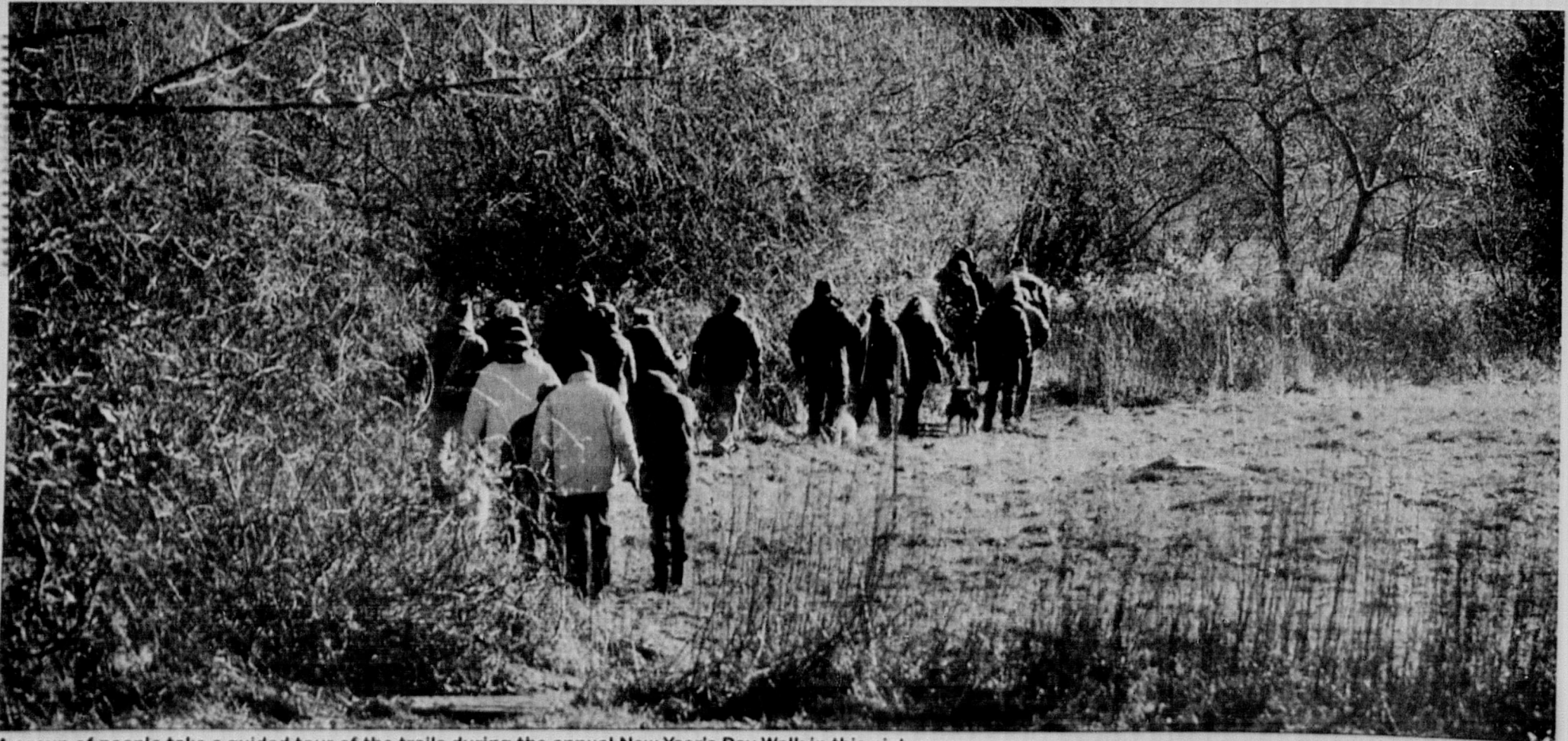
Naturalist Steve Ivas of Norwell takes a group of people on a guided tour of the trails behind Holly Hill Farm during the annual New Year's Day Walk.



A hiker enjoys a steaming cup of hot chocolate following the annual New Year's Day Walk.



Bob Magown of Norwell listens to a nature talk during a guided tour of the trails.

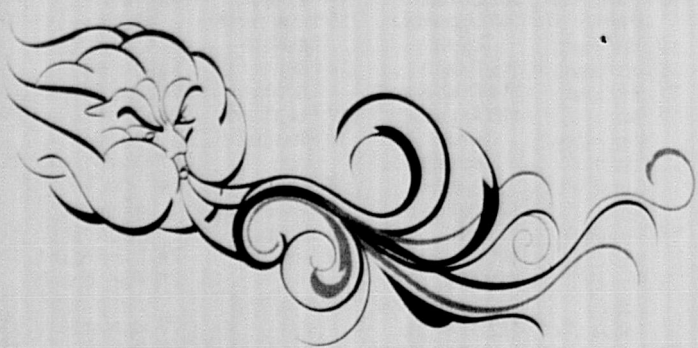


A group of people take a guided tour of the trails during the annual New Year's Day Walk in this picturesque scene.

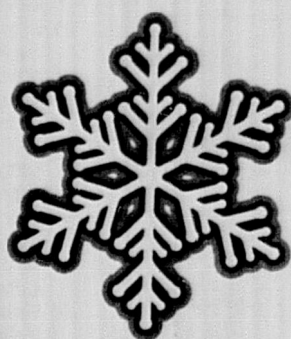
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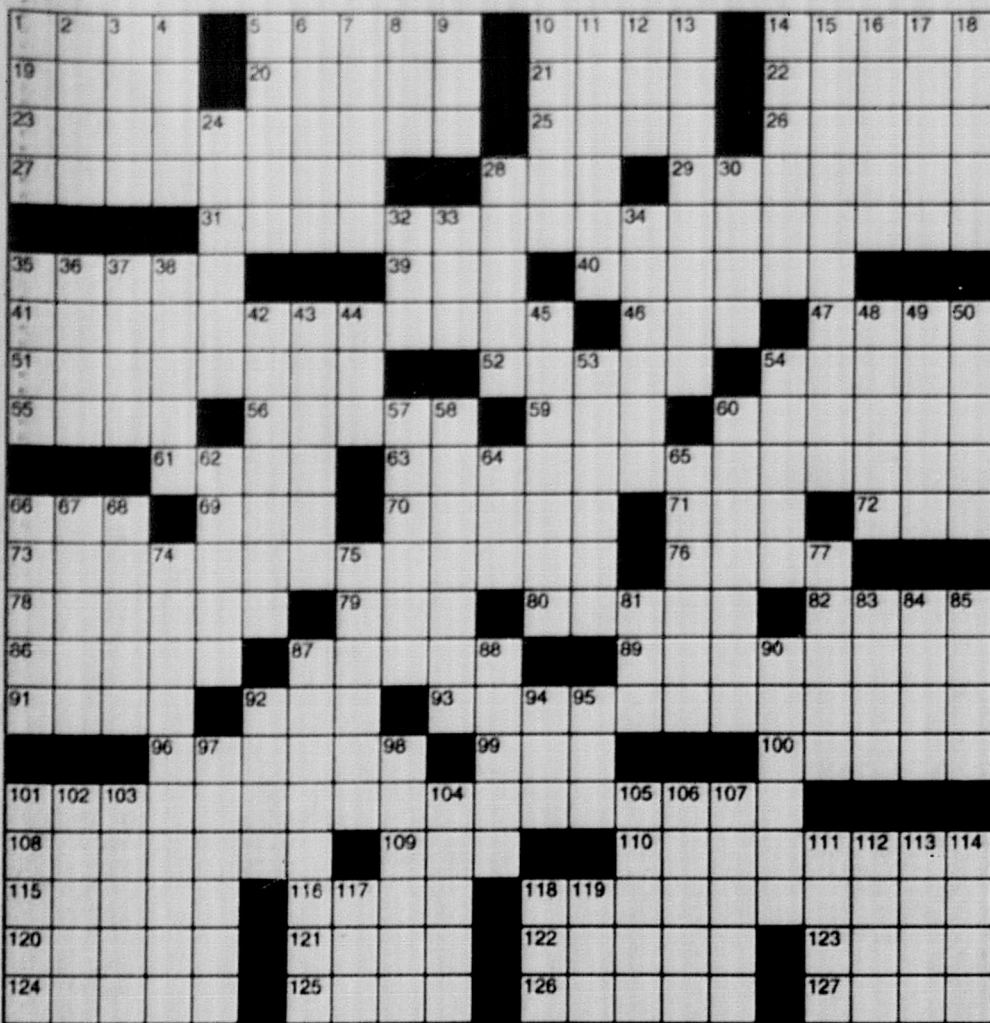
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Crossword - Wrigley Field



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- 1 March day to "beware"
5 Does nothing
10 18-hole game
14 Made inquiries
19 Actor Green
20 Sends via the USPS
21 Verbalized Dane's neighbor
23 Revolution around the moon
25 Yellow car
26 Smell, taste or touch
27 Inspecting individual
28 Truck and SUV maker
29 Feather-fixing bird
31 Existence like Riley's
35 Naval Academy frosh
39 Camcorder button abbr.
40 Join the Navy, e.g.
41 M20 rocket launcher
46 Finished in the lead

DOWN

- 47 Russian gymnast Korbut
51 "Hugo" director Martin
52 Not bottled, as beer
54 The "P" of the S&P 500
55 Zap, as a suspect
56 "The Rachel" Maddow Show's airtel
59 Pit bull's warning
60 Lemon, lime or orange
61 Enterprise counselor Deanna
63 1970s Cincinnati team nickname
66 Ocean east of Mass.
69 Possesses
70 Discoloration
71 Bug a lot
72 Rite, suggestions
73 Like the Greek letter psi
76 Antlered deer
78 Rosie's bolts
79 Tennis shot
80 U-Haul rival

ACROSS

- 82 Talk laryngitically
86 "— My Heart in San Francisco"
87 Ownership
89 Shimmer with rainbowlike colors
91 Banned fruit spray
92 Flower-to-be
93 Like a real treat
96 First game in a series
99 Flaky dessert
100 "A — santé!"
101 1990-2011 sport compact car
108 Adolescents' support group
109 Unsound
110 Uppercase letters
115 Poison
116 Critic Siskel
118 Apt activity while solving this puzzle?
120 Olympics unit
121 PC image
122 Aired a second time
123 "— the whole thing!"

DOWN

- 1 Atoll part
2 Two, in Paris
3 Erupter in Sicily
4 Pillowcase
5 "— roll!" (casino cry)
6 Risktaker
7 Cuba — (rum drink)
8 Certain Ivy Leaguer
9 JFK jet, once
10 "No ideal!"
11 Seer's site
12 Permissive
13 Abrupt policy reversal
14 Appraise
15 What candy satisfies
16 Rogers or Loggins
17 Ford fiasco
18 Plowmaker John
24 Spud sieves
28 Small lizard
30 Restraint
32 Move to and —
33 Early U.S. auto
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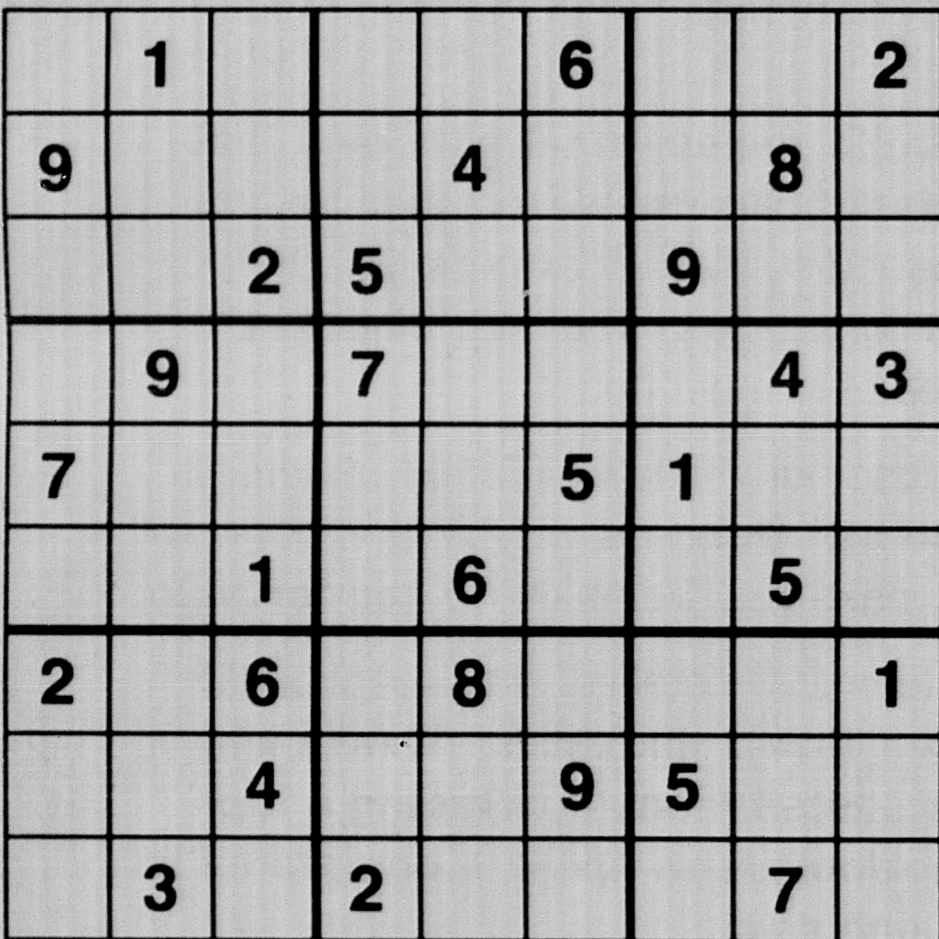
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- 35 Discreet "Looky here!"
36 — Brasi ("The Godfather" enforcer)
37 Poetic saga
38 Artsy cap
42 Grieves over
43 Chip in
44 Japanese Buddhist sect
45 More mad
48 Loughlin and Petty
49 Pig's sound
50 Donkeys
53 In vogue
54 "— card, any card?"
57 Air rifle ammo
58 Quoteworthy
60 Excursion in an auto
62 Clark Gable's Butler
64 Interval
65 Cheapskates
66 Chambers of the heart
67 Diva's shake
68 — lie (be someone you're not)
74 Thawing out
75 Neighbors of swing sets
77 Painter El —
81 Day, to Julio

DOWN

- 83 "Same — ever was"
84 Injury vestige
85 Soccer legend
87 Finding a radio station
88 Kick out
90 Prepare for eating, as a rhimp
92 Newirth of "Frasier"
94 Muscle jerk
95 Faith: Abbr.
97 "Mambo king" Tito
98 Protected pachyderms
101 Aussie pals
102 "How do — thee?"
103 Took a toll on
104 Actress Graft or Kristen
105 Bakery tools
106 Play with as a puppy might
107 Gyrate
108 Nine-to-five's cry
112 "I've Got — in" Kalamazoo
113 Sitar, e.g.
114 Captain Hook's pal
117 — warrior
118 PC screen
119 Bray syllable

Sudoku



Level: Moderate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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C A Y P S Y N R D H P W V O T
R P N Y H I L I C E H K I G C
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HOROSCOPE

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) That lower-than-acceptable performance you're getting from others in your group might be the result of miscommunication. If so, correct it before serious problems arise later on.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unexpected situation could call for a change of plans. If so, you might feel that this is unfair. But it's best to make the needed adjustments now. There'll be time later for rescheduling.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The new year brings opportunities you might want to look into. Some might be more interesting than others. But take time to look at all of them before you make any decisions.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a good idea to be careful about expenses until you've worked out that pesky financial problem. You might find it advisable to get some solid advice on how to proceed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Romance looms large over the Leo aspect. Single Lions looking

for love should find Cupid very cooperative. Paired Cats can expect a renewed closeness in their relationships.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Making contact with a former colleague might not be high on your list of priorities. But it could pay off personally as well as professionally. Avoid bringing up any negatives about the past.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A personal relationship could face added stress because of a situation involving someone close to both of you. Be supportive and, above all, try to avoid playing the blame game.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might well find some lingering uncertainties about a decision. If so, take that as a warning that you might not be ready to make that move yet. More study would be in order.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Music is a dominant theme for Sagittarians right now, and it should remind you to make a greater effort to restore some

much-needed harmony in that very special relationship.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although family matters might demand much of the Sea Goat's attention this week, you'll want to try to make time to handle those all-important workplace situations as well.

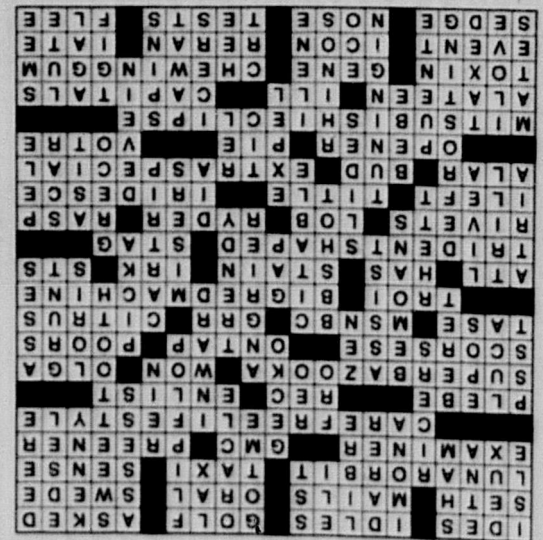
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A recurring unresolved issue might need to be revisited before you can move forward. Consider asking someone familiar with the situation to act as an impartial counselor.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Ignore pressure to make a decision. Keeping your options open is still the wisest course, at least until you're sure you've learned all you need to know about the matter at hand.

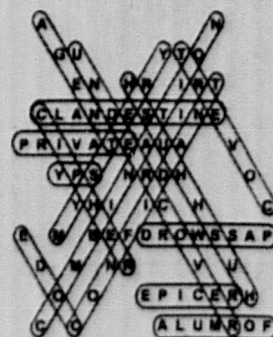
BORN THIS WEEK: You're capable of great loyalty to those around you, which is one reason you can count on devotion from friends and family.

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CALENDAR

HOW TO SUBMIT

Planning an event? Send your event information by email to scalendar@wickedlocal.com or by fax to 781-837-4543. Listings must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event. Email photos as a jpeg attachment at a resolution of at least 200 dpi and no smaller than 3 X 5 inches in size. For more information call 781-837-4518.



Local Freight at The Blue Moon Coffeehouse

WHEN: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10.
WHERE: Channing Church, 45 Webster St., Rockland.
INFO: Local Freight's slogan is "Bluegrass that delivers," and they deliver clean harmonies, strong instrumentation, and a solid groove. Check out the band at www.localfreightband.com or their Facebook page. There will be an open mike between sets. Tickets are \$8 at the door; children 12 and under are free. <https://sites.google.com/site/thebluemooncoffeehouse>.

SATURDAY, JAN. 10

Mass Audubon presents Snowy Owl Prowl from 8 to 10 a.m. at Duxbury Beach. Migrating south from their breeding ground in the Arctic Tundra, the magnificent snowy owls winter over on the Massachusetts coast. Learn about our research on snowy owls as we seek out these seasonal beach visitors. Additional sights of the season may include snow buntings and wintering waterfowl. Meet at Duxbury Beach on the ocean side of the Powder Point Bridge, and explore together in Mass Audubon vans. \$18/\$15 member. Preregistration is required, and can be completed online at www.massaudubon.org/southshore or by calling 781-837-9400.

Nature Photographer Greg Lessard will present his latest photography exhibit, "Snowy Owl-Soul of the Arctic" in Vine Hall Art Gallery at the South Shore Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, Massachusetts, through Feb. 8. The public is invited to a "Meet the Artist" reception today from 2 to 4 p.m.

Call for Entries - "Through My Eyes" Photography Show - The "4th floor artists" are presenting a second annual Photography show in their Gallery 4. "Through My Eyes" will run from Jan. 17 to Feb. 28. The call for entries is to all area photographers. Registration is Friday, Jan. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 10, noon to 3 p.m. in Gallery 4 at the E. T. Wright building in Rockland. The opening reception is Jan. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. Cash awards for first and second place are sponsored by Goss Photo of Norwell. Judging is by nationally recognized outdoor photographer Paul Girello. Also in Gallery 4, will also be a members' show, "Glass." For the complete prospectus go to 4thfloorartists.org.

Journeys is the theme of South Shore Art Center's newest Bancroft Gallery exhibition through Feb. 8. The exhibition, which opened on Friday, Jan. 9, was selected by Zola Solamente, Director of Boston's Arden Gallery. Also on view at the Art Center is work by faculty feature Lisa Goren (Hyde Park) and a Dillon Gallery exhibition "Myth & Memory" featuring the work of artists Danguole Rita Kuolas, Cohasset, Michele Meister, Plymouth, Marie Peters, Bryantville, Judy Rossman, Scituate and Jess Hurley Scott, Scituate. An opening reception will be held on Friday, Jan. 9 from 6 to 8. The reception is free and open to the public. South Shore Art Center, 119 Ripley Road, Cohasset is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Noon to 4 p.m. www.ssaac.org.

Art Appraisal Day at South Street Gallery, 149 South St., Hingham from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hingham resident Arthur Garrity, a professional fine art appraiser, will offer verbal appraisals at the gallery at 149 South Street. Etchings, prints or original oil or watercolor paintings may be submitted for review. There is a fee of \$15 per one appraisal, \$25 for two appraisals or \$33 for three appraisals, with all of the proceeds being donated to Wellspring Multi-Service Center. There is a limit of three items per customer per visit. Call 781-749-0430 to make an appointment.

Local Freight at The Blue Moon Coffeehouse at 7:30 p.m. There will be an open mike between sets. Tickets are \$8 at the door; children 12 and under are free. The address is Channing Church, 45 Webster St., Rockland. <https://sites.google.com/site/thebluemooncoffeehouse>. www.localfreightband.com or their Facebook page.

Latitudes: The Jimmy Buffett Tribute, presented by Company Theatre Center for the Performing Arts at 8 p.m. at The Company Theatre, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Tickets are \$27. To order tickets, visit www.companytheatre.com, call the box office at 781-871-2787, or email boxoffice@companytheatre.com. The box office is open Monday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and during all performances. Free parking on site, and the theatre is handicap-accessible.

In Session at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300. 8 p.m.

Hynes Family Quartet at C-Note, 159 Nantasket Avenue, Hull. 781-925-4300. www.cnote-hull.com

AMO (John Doyle) at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham. 781-749-9774. www.thesnugpub.com. 9:30 p.m.

3rd Left at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361.

Reggae Night featuring Conscious Reggae Band at Players Sports Bar & Grille, 86 VFW Drive, Rockland. 781-681-9999. southshoresportsbar.com

Jimmy Peters at Damians Pub, 279 Spring St., Hanson, 9 p.m. damienspub.com 781-447-6556.

Andrew Geano at Wildflower Café & Tavern, 8 Chestnut St., Duxbury. 781-934-7814. www.wildflowercafe.us/

1 Night Stand at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke. 781-829-6999. www.britishbeer.com.

Barley Hoppers at the British Beer Company.

Hull artist to show work in Norwell gallery

WHEN: Opening reception from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, on view until Jan. 31.

WHERE: The James Library & Center for the Arts at 24 West St., Norwell.

INFO: Artist, Kathleen Draper-Garner will exhibit "Dreamscapes," a visual narrative of nature, memory, and rediscovery. The show features works combining painting, printmaking, and mixed media collage to describe fragments of memory that lie just below the surface of recollection. An art educator for many years, Kathleen is a graduate of Mass College of Art, a South Shore Art Center Gallery Artist, and a member of the North River Arts Society. www.harborview-arts.com or www.jameslibrary.org call 781-659-7100.



'Tropical Breezes' exhibit at the Scituate Front Street Art Gallery

WHEN: Jan. 8 to Feb. 2, Thursday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Front Street Art Gallery, 124 Front St., in Scituate Harbor.

INFO: The gallery is hosting a new gallery members' winter show, filled with summery, warm feelings to take the January chill away. The gallery is also filled with member artists' favorite paintings and photographs of local spots as well as places around New England and the tropics - landscape paintings mixed with colorful floral and beach paintings that bring back the feeling of warmer places.



"Hesitation" Oil by Josie Schneider.

2294 State Road, Cedarville. 508-888-9756. www.britishbeer.com.

SUNDAY, JAN. 11

Hull artist, Kathleen Draper-Garner will exhibit "Dreamscapes," at The James Library & Center for the Arts at 24 West St., Norwell through Jan. 31. Free opening reception from 3 to 5 p.m. today. www.harborview-arts.com or www.jameslibrary.org call 781-659-7100.

Poetry venue in Duxbury, the Duxbury Free Library's Sunday Salon Series will offer a reflective poetry venue to begin the New Year. At 2 p.m. at the Duxbury Free Library, located at 77 Alden St., Duxbury, the Rev. Gordon Postill will present "Let Us Go Then, You and I," his deeply moving, heartfelt recitation of several thought-provoking poems. The recitations include poems by Stanley Kunitz, Mary Oliver, David Whyte, Jane Kenyon and other renowned poets. To register for the program, call 781-934-2721, ext. 5655, or go to www.dubxuryfreelibrary.org/events.

Editors Julianne and David Mehegan will discuss their book "Record of a Soldier in the Late War, The Confederate Memoir of John Wesley Bone" at The Hingham Public Library, 68 Leavitt St., Hingham at 2 p.m. in the Library's Whiton Room.

Sea turtle specialist, educator and business owner, Christina Trapani, will present "Living Life Less Plastic: Lessons from Sea Turtles" from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at First Parish Church, 19 Town Square, Plymouth. Trapani has committed herself to reducing her use of single-use disposable plastic items and to help others do the same by offering alternatives. She will tell you about alternatives to single-use plastics that are available. After the presentation, you will have an opportunity to purchase some of these items such as stainless steel straws, bamboo utensils and reusable sandwich wraps.

Nick Pangakis at 4 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth. 508-591-8393.

Irish Session at 11 a.m. at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361.

Splash of Blues Jam from 4 to 8 p.m. at Players Sports Bar & Grille, 86 VFW Drive, Rockland. 781-681-9999. southshoresportsbar.com.

Billy Downes at 4 p.m. at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361.

MONDAY, JAN. 12

Ballet Week, South Shore Conservatory Dance Department will host Ballet Week from Jan. 12 to 17 at SSC's Ellison Center for the Arts, 64 Saint George St., Duxbury. During Ballet Week, families are welcome to tour the facility, meet faculty and staff, participate in free dance trial classes and learn more about the broad range of programs offered for children of all ages. An open house will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, featuring a demo class and performance by SSC Dance Department students. For details, see www.sscmusic.org or call 781-934-2731.

New Beginnings Singles Support Group, Inc. for newly widowed, separated or divorced adults, meets on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at The Cushing School's Knights of Columbus Culinary Arts Center, 391 Washington St., Hanover, NB is a singles support organization dedicated to healing, growing and learning; not a dating service. Information: visit <http://nbnorwell.org/>, email at info@nbnorwell.org or call 781-499-2659.

Meat Raffle to benefit Rockland High School hockey at Damien's Pub, 279 Spring St., Hanson. 7:30 p.m. damienspub.com 781-447-6556.

Irish Session every Monday at 5:30 p.m. at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham. 781-749-9774. www.thesnugpub.com.

Trivia w/DJ Highpoint at 6 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth. 508-591-8393.

Texas Hold'em with the Northern Poker League at 7 and 10 p.m. at Black Raspberry Pub, 36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth. 508-830-0022.

Open mike night, 8:30 p.m. Mondays at Main Street Sports Bar & Grill, 39 Main St., Plymouth. 774-283-4129. mainstreetsportsbarandgrill.com.

TUESDAY, JAN. 13

Ballroom Dancing every Tuesday from 7:30 to 11 p.m. at The Viking Club, 410 Quincy Avenue, Route 53, Braintree. Live bands every week. Singles and couples welcomed. Admission is \$10. Information: 781-784-2678 or 781-335-3171.

South Shore Men of Harmony rehearse every Tuesday at Hingham Community Center, 70 South St., Hingham, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. 781-337-SING (7464). Information: 781-337-7464.

Open mike with Jackson Wetherbee at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361. 9 p.m.

Jazz at Martini's, Tuesdays from 7 to 10 p.m. at Martini's, 50 Court St., Plymouth, featuring the Kenny Wenzel jazz group. Kenny Wenzel plays trombone and flute; drummer is Gene Roma. Call 774-773-9782 or visit www.martinisplymouth.com for information.

Wicked Trivia 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at British Beer Company, 2294 State Road, Plymouth (Cedarville). 508-888-9756. www.britishbeer.com.

Dave Foley performs at the British Beer Company, 6 Middle St., Plymouth. 508-747-1776. www.britishbeer.com.

Wicked Trivia with Pat Lally, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke. 781-829-6999.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14

Mammal Munchkins at the South Shore Natural Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, every Wednesday for ages 1.5-3.5 years (with a caregiver), 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Hop like a rabbit, trot like a fox, and waddle like a skunk. Learn about mammals and their forest friends through games, music, creative movement, crafts and free play. Space is limited. Preregistration required. Fee: \$6 Member, \$9 Non-Member per class.

Waterwatch Lecture Series. Hit and Run History: The Columbia Expedition with Andrew Buckley, PBS Documentary Filmmaker, follows the first "round-the-world" journey of an American ship, one which was built in Scituate at the mouth of the North River. Admission is free. The lectures are at the South Shore Natural Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell at 7 p.m. every Wednesday night through March 18. www.nsrwa.org.

The Y'se Gardeners of Marshfield will be presenting an hour-long talk and slide show titled "Top 20 Feeder Birds in New England." Steve and Pam French, of Wild Birds Unlimited, will concentrate on the 20 most popular birds that people are apt to see in their own backyards. They will have photos, sounds and interesting facts about each bird. Presentation begins at 7 p.m. at the Ventress Library, Rt. 139, Marshfield.

The Session every Wednesday at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361. 6 p.m.

Jason Cardinal at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke. 781-829-6999 or visit www.britishbeer.com.

You Don't Know Joe Trivia every Wednesday night at Damien's Pub, 279 Spring St., Hanson, 8 p.m. damienspub.com 781-447-6556.

Cadillac Walk original blues band, every Wednesday at Shanty Rose Pub, 16 Town Wharf, Plymouth.

Team Trivia at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at New World Tavern, 56 Main St., Plymouth. 508-927-4250.

Karaoke night at the Black Raspberry Pub, 9 p.m., 36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth.

THURSDAY, JAN. 15

Nature's Music at South Shore Natural Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, for ages 3.5 to 5 years every Thursday until Feb. 12 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Have fun with Miss Jen in this class focusing on sounds found in nature, by singing, dancing, enjoying nature stories and making a collection of instruments with recycled materials and items from outdoors. At the end of the six-week session, each child will take home his/her music box filled with a wonderful collection of instruments and projects to enjoy. Preregistration required. Fee: \$80 Member, \$100 non-member for the 6-week series. 781-659-2559 or www.southshorenaturalsciencecenter.org.

Bee School, Plymouth County Beekeepers Association's annual Bee School is an eight-week course that is designed to provide new beekeepers with the basic knowledge needed to get started in beekeeping. Classes start today from 7 to 9 p.m. and meet every other Thursday at Pembroke Community Center at 128 Center St. in Pembroke center, which is located between the library and the Town Hall. For more information and to register go to www.plymouthcounty-beekeepers.org and click on link to the Bee School.

The Role of Islam in the Politics of the Middle East: A six session discussion group at the Hingham Public Library begins Jan. 15. This is a

six-session discussion group, meeting weekly at the Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt St., Hingham, on Thursdays, from Jan. 15 to March 5, from 3 to 5 p.m. Topics, in reading assignments of approximately 35-40 pages, will include the origins and growth of Islam, its interaction with the West, and recent political developments in a few specific countries. Enrollment is limited to 20 participants. Contact the reference desk with questions or to sign up: 781-741-1405 x1404.

Jake Hill will host Open Mike Challenge at 7 p.m. at The Spire Center for Performing Arts, 25 1/2 Court St., Plymouth. Free admission. Visit www.spirecenter.org or call 508-746-4488 for details.

Diane Blue on vocals and harp with the Willie J Laws Band followed by open mike with Willie J. Laws Jr. Jammers invited and welcome. Free pizza at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300.

Open mike at C-Note, 159 Nantasket Avenue, Hull. 781-925-4300. www.cnotehull.com

Munk Duane at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361. 8 p.m.

Rob Pagnano acoustic at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke. 781-829-6999 or visit www.britishbeer.com.

Mark T. Small performs at 7 p.m. every Thursday at New World Tavern, 56 Main St., Plymouth. 508-927-4250.

Mark Purcell performs at the British Beer Company, 6 Middle St., Plymouth. 508-747-1776. www.britishbeer.com.

Open mike w/Mike V. and Boston at 9 p.m. at Waterfront Bar and Grill, 170 Water St., Plymouth. 508-591-8393.

Karaoke w/Liz Solomon at the British Beer Company, 2294 State Road, Cedarville. 508-888-9756. www.britishbeer.com.

FRIDAY, JAN. 16

Owl Moon Adventure presented by Mass Audubon from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. After a fireside reading of Jane Yolen's classic story, "Owl Moon," we'll take a short hike along the Woodland Trail to do some owl of our own. Experience some owl moon magic with your family. Hot cocoa and cookies will be provided. \$10/\$8 member adult. \$8/\$6 member child - ages 4+. Preregistration is required, and can be completed online at www.massaudubon.org/southshore or by calling 781-837-9400.

Grace Morrison with The Whiskey Boys at The South Shore Folk Music Club, coffeehouse and open mike, at 8 p.m. doors open at 7:30 p.m. at the Beal House of the Kingston Unitarian Church, 222 Main St. Members- \$7; non-members- \$8 (new members welcome.) The atmosphere is informal, friendly and smoke and alcohol free and handicapped accessible. www.ssfmc.org

Bridgewater Community Dance Series, featuring folk, square, and contra dance, 7:30 to 9 p.m., at the Bridgewater Senior Center, Wally Krueger Way, Bridgewater. \$8 admission chargesbaumgarten@verizon.net or 774-208-2933.

SoulBox at Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. 781-340-1300.

The Figures at The Snug, 116 North St., Hingham. 781-749-9774. www.thesnugpub.com. 9:30 p.m.

Young Pandas at The Tinker's Son, 707 Main St., Norwell, thetinkerson.com. 781-561-7361. 9 p.m.

Northern Shakers at Damians Pub, 279 Spring St., Hanson, 8 p.m. damienspub.com 781-447-6556.

Karaoke Night every Friday at 8 p.m. at American Legion Post 40, 199 Federal Furnace Road, Plymouth. Open to the public. Call 508-746-0009 for details.

DJ Paul at British Beer Company, 2294 State Road, Cedarville. 508-888-9756. www.britishbeer.com.

Closing Time at British Beer Company, 15 Columbia Road, Pembroke. 781-829-6999. www.britishbeer.com.

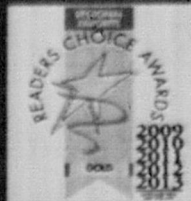
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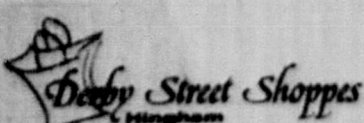


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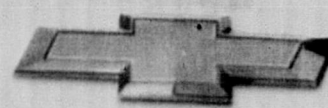
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